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2006 Plainfield Town Report

Plainfield Trailblazers Community Bridge Project
Ira and Sara Townsend Bridge

The December 2006 dedication of the Ira and Sara Townsend trail bridge marked the end of a year-long project that embodied the best qualities of our community: cooperation, volunteerism and a deep appreciation for the beautiful environment we live in. Located behind the Plainfield School and accessible by a short trail through the woods, the bridge greatly enhances opportunities for fitness, educational and wellness programs at the Plainfield School, and provides access to the extensive French's Ledges trail network. Sixty-five feet in length, the bridge spans the Blood's Brook floodplain and is designed to last for several generations of Plainfield outdoor enthusiasts. The Community Bridge Project was conceived and organized by a group of individuals known as the Plainfield Trailblazers. The group scouted a location for the bridge, built trails, raised money for materials, obtained the necessary permits, permissions and easements, designed the bridge, coordinated projects and volunteer labor and worked countless hours building the bridge and trail network. The project depended on the involvement and generosity of many different individuals who volunteered their time and expertise, as well as of many organizations in the community, including Kimball Union Academy, the Town Selectboard, the Plainfield Conservation Commission, the Plainfield School Board and the Meriden Village Water District. On December 5th, people from these organizations along with many other townspeople joined the entire school in a festive ceremony celebrating the completion of the project and honoring Ira and Sara for their conservation ethic. Without them the trail system would not exist as it is today.

Carin Reynolds

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Windows For Cory

During the week of October 1st thru October 8th the Town of Plainfield experienced a wonderful event at the Blow-Me-Down Grange. Windows For Cory was a fundraiser that benefited the Cory Taber Memorial Field in Plainfield Village. Late last Spring the windows in the parsonage at the Community Church were replaced. Rather than disposing of them they were salvaged and became 44 canvases for local artisans to create a unique piece of art on. Those who were able to attend will confirm how unique each and every piece actually was.

To date, over \$22,000 has been raised that will help maintain and improve the field. The Cory Taber Memorial Field is a private park located on the grounds of the Plainfield Community Church. Open to the public, the field is maintained by a private fund set up just for this purpose. Anyone wishing more information about the field or wanting to make a donation can contact Rev. Suellen Leugers at 675-6510.

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD

New Hampshire

Annual Report 2006

Annual Reports
of the
Officers and Selectmen
and the
School District



Please bring this Report to the School District and Town Meetings.
Take care of this book: each costs \$4.00 to produce and deliver.



Plainfield Seniors enjoying two of the monthly Senior Socials organized by Plainfield Health Officer Al Grindle, shown above standing in for Santa. These events have become enormously popular and would not be possible but for the hard work by Al, Diane Rogers, Mary Ellen Sullivan and many others who all give freely of their time.

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TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Office	Name	Appt. Expires
MODERATOR	Stephen H. Taylor	2008
ASSIST. MODERATOR	Paul B. Franklin	2007
TOWN CLERK	Ruth Ann Wheeler	2007
SELECTMEN	Judy A. Belyea	2007
	Mark H. Wilder	2008
	Robert W. Taylor	2009
TREASURER	Fred Sweet	2007
TAX COLLECTOR	Ruth Ann Wheeler	2007
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS	Jesse Stalker	2007
	Edward Stansfield	2008
	Donald Garfield	2009
TRUSTEES PR MEMORIAL LIBRARY	Anita Brown	2007
	Jennifer Frederick	2008
	Beth Williams	2009
TRUSTEES MERIDEN LIBRARY	Elisabeth Beck	2007
	Rachel Stoddard	2008
	Joseph Crate	2009
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST	Diane W. Rogers	2010
	Harold L. Jones Jr.	2009
	George W. West	2008
CEMETERY TRUSTEES	Jesse Stalker	2007
	Bradford Atwater	2008
	Howard Zea	2009
DEP. TAX COLLECTOR	Michelle Marsh	
DEP. TOWN CLERK	Michelle Marsh	
DEP. TREASURER	Douglas Cogan	

BALLOT CLERKS	Bette Stockwell	2007
	Susan Timmons	2007
	Annamay Chapman	2007
	Mary Ellen Sullivan	2007

ROAD AGENT	Kenneth Stocker	2007
TREE WARDEN	Kenneth Stocker	2007
HEALTH OFFICER	A. Halton Grindle	2007
ZONING ADMIN.	Stephen Halleran	2007
YIELD TAX AGENT	Judith A. Belyea	2007
WELFARE DIRECTOR	A. Halton Grindle	2007
EMERGENCY MGT.DIR.	James McCarragher	2007

POLICE DEPARTMENT	Gordon Gillens, Chief
	Lawrence Dore, Sgt.
	Paul Roberts, Cppl.
	Anthony Swett
	Peter Begin
	Joshua Alden

DOG OFFICER	Gordon Gillens
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PLANNING BOARD	Jane Stephenson, Chair	2007
	Ruth Cassedy	2007
	Mike Sutherland	2008
	Ron Liston	2009
	Greg Estey	2009
	Desmond Hudson,alt	2007
	Greg Davini, alt	2008
	Robert Taylor,	Selectman
	Lynn Freeman	Resigned

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	Richard Colburn, Chair	2007
	Peter Martin	2008
	Margaret Cassedy	2008
	Edward Moynihan	2009
	Bradford Atwater	2009
	Stephen Sheehan, alt	2008
	William McGonigle, alt	2008
	Priscilla Eastman	Resigned

CONSERVATION COMMISSION	David Grobe, Chair	2007
	James Taylor	2007
	Jeffrey Marsh	2008
	Margaret Gibson	2008
	Gordon Wilder	2008
	Judith Ptak	2008
	Eric Brann	2009

RECREATION	Dan Cantlin, Chair	2007
	Martin Morgan	2007
	Judy Houde-Hardy	2007
	Todd MacDonald	2007
	Pamela Lewis	2007
	David Dupree	2007
	Jason Huett	2007

FINANCE COMMITTEE	Ann Grobe	2007
	Rob Hewett	2007
	Thomas Lappin	2007
	Claire McNamara	2007
	Mike Taupier	2007
	Stephen Beaupre	2007

NH/VT SOLID WASTE DISTRICT REP.	Richard E. Atkinson	2007
	Stephen Halleran, alt	2007

REPRESENTATIVE TO UVLSRPC	Stephen Halleran
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MERIDEN FIRE CHIEF	David Best
PLAINFIELD FIRE CHIEF	Frank Currier

FOREST FIRE WARDENS

Peter Berry, Warden
Douglas Plummer, Deputy
John Conly, Deputy
Christopher Berry, Deputy
William Taylor, Deputy
David Best, Deputy

**SOLID WASTE
COMMITTEE**

Richard Atkinson, Chair
Susan Williams
Hillary Sundell
William McGonigle
Betsy Rybeck-Lynd
Nancy Mogielnicki
Russell Kelley
Richard Colburn

**PLAINFIELD/KUA
STUDY COMMITTEE**

Diane Rogers
Susan Plummer
Stephen Halleran
Bradford Atwater
Robert Bartles
Gordon Defoe
Douglas Cogan-School Board
Michael Schafter-KUA

**PLAINFIELD PARADE
COMMITTEE**

Ruth Cassedy
Margaret Cassedy
Stephen Taylor
Anita Brown
Roger Grzegorowicz
Margaret Drye
Roberta Stormann
Sandra Tacy

**CONNECTICUT RIVER
JOINT COMMISSIONS**

Nancy Franklin
Robert Kline

**MT ASCUTNEY
SUBCOMMITTEE
TO THE CRJC**

Edward Moynihan
Stephen Halleran

**WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

COUNTY OF SULLIVAN, SS

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield, in the County of Sullivan, in said State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plainfield School gymnasium on Tuesday, the 13th day of March next at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

[Polls will be open until 7:00 P.M.]

ARTICLE 1. To choose by ballot: One selectman for three years, one town clerk for three years, one tax collector for three years, one treasurer for three years, one trustee of trust funds for three years, one library trustee (west side) for three years, one library trustee (east side) for three years, one cemetery trustee for three years and any other necessary town officers.

You are further notified to meet at the Plainfield School gymnasium on Saturday, the 17th of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$1,695,956** to defray town charges for the 2007 fiscal year. The selectmen propose the following budget:

1. Executive	\$126,610
2. Election/Registration/Vital Statistics	5,980
3. Financial Administration	51,182
4. Revaluation of Property	13,000
5. Legal Expenses	8,100
6. Personnel Administration	14,600
7. Planning and Zoning	7,500
8. General Government Buildings	5,950
9. Cemeteries	23,960
10. Insurance	36,700
11. Regional Associations	8,000
12. Police Department	224,590
13. Ambulance Service	31,000
14. Fire Departments -Plainfield	39,000
-Meriden	37,000
15. Building Inspection	8,800
16. Emergency Management	1,000
17. Hydrant & Forest Fire Expense	6,350
18. Dispatching for Fire, Police & Ambulance	14,000
19. Highway Administration	19,350

20. Highways and Streets	522,700
21. Road Projects	100,761
22. Street Lights	8,000
23. Solid Waste Collection	135,000
24. Solid Waste Disposal	80,610
25. Health Agencies	17,900
26. Animal Control	1,500
27. Welfare	6,750
28. Recreation Commission	18,240
29. Libraries - Plainfield	49,537
- Meriden	32,035
30. Patriotic	1,500
31. Conservation Commission	2,500
32. Principal Long-term debt	25,000
33. Interest Long-term debt	11,251

Total: \$ 1,695,956

This budget is exclusive of other warrant articles.

The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$95,000** for the purchase of a new bucket loader to be used by the highway department, and to authorize the selectmen to withdraw the sum of \$95,000 from the Highway Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund created in 1987 pursuant to RSA 35:1 and to further authorize the selectmen to sell or trade the town's existing 1991 loader (the new loader has a value of \$120,000 the town's existing loader an estimated value of \$25,000). The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a two year lease agreement for the purpose of leasing a police cruiser valued at \$24,650 and to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$11,000** for the first year's payment for that purpose. Further to authorize the selectmen to sell or trade the existing 2003 police cruiser, valued at approximately \$2,650. This contract includes a second year non-appropriation clause. The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$117,500** to be placed in existing town capital reserve and general trust funds, pursuant to RSA 35:1 and RSA 31:19-a as follows:

RSA 35:1 funds:

\$10,000	Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994.
\$5,000	Revaluation Fund created in 1993.
\$45,000	Highway Vehicles Fund created in 1987.
\$50,000	Transportation Improvement Fund created in 2006.

RSA 31:19a funds:

\$5,000	Town Hall Repair Fund established in 1996.
\$2,500	Library Building Repair Fund established in 1992.

The selectmen are named agents to expend for the bridge fund, the town hall repair fund and the library building repair fund. The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate **\$20,400** from the town's fund balance to be deposited into the Transportation Improvement Capital Reserve Fund established in 2006. Said funds were received from the Plainfield School District in 2006 as part of the highway department's assistance with the previously approved connection to the Meriden Village Waste Water plant. The intent of this article is to make these funds available for future highway improvement projects. The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000** to be used by the conservation commission to refresh the boundary markings of town-owned properties where needed. This is the second part of this project; the initial work was funded last year through the passage of article 14. Further. to withdraw said sum from the Forest Maintenance Fund established in 1992 pursuant to RSA 31:113. The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,000** to be used for the purchase and installation of signs welcoming visitors to the town and its various villages. This item is by request. The selectmen recommend the appropriation.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,000** for the purpose of continuing to repair, and when needed, replace fencing around the town's various cemeteries. The selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will, pursuant to RSA 31:19a, vote to establish an expendable trust fund to be called "Townsend Bridge & Trail Fund" for the purpose of maintenance, replacement or removal of the Townsend bridge and the maintenance and expansion of the surrounding trail network. Further to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$7,163** to be deposited into this fund. Said funds to come from the following sources: \$663 from fund balance, \$5,000 from committed private donations and \$1,500 from the Conservation Commission Fund. The Board of selectmen to be named agents to expend. The selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will vote to dissolve of the Sullivan County Regional Refuse District (paper ballot vote required).

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will, in the event that the dissolution of the Sullivan County Regional Refuse District is not approved by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the District, vote to withdraw from the Sullivan County Regional Refuse District as permitted by the district agreement, effective July 1st 2007 (paper ballot required).

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to increase the real estate exemption on dormitories, dining rooms, and kitchens of Kimball Union Academy above the required \$150,000 as allowed in RSA 72:23, to one hundred (100) percent of the assessed value of property over which the town has statutory discretion.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will direct the selectmen to appoint, within 60 days of town meeting, a committee to continue the KUA/Plainfield study. The charge to this committee shall be to meet with representatives of the KUA administration and maintain an ongoing review of the relationship between the academy and the town, including any agreement pursuant to RSA 72:23, and to report its findings at next March's annual town meeting.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will vote to instruct the moderator to appoint a finance committee (advisory only) of six Plainfield voters to advise the selectmen, and other officers of the town in the prudential affairs of the town.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectboard to reappoint the Solid Waste Committee established by Article 14 of the 2005 annual meeting and Article 13 of the 2006 annual meeting.

ARTICLE 17. To see what action that town will take with respect to the reports of town officers.

ARTICLE: 18. To see if the town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our elected officials at the local and state levels:

Resolved: We the voters of Plainfield believe in a New Hampshire that is fiscally responsible and locally controlled -- but fair. The property tax has become unfair. "The Pledge" against considering any alternative broad-based taxes perpetuates this unfair and burdensome property tax. We urge our elected officials to reject "The Pledge", have an informed discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that retains the good aspects of fiscal responsibility and local control -- but relieves the unfair local property tax burden. (This article is by petition.)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our elected officials at the local and state levels:

Resolved: We the voters of Plainfield believe that relief must be provided to our most heavily burdened taxpayers while supporting an excellent education for our children in a fiscally responsible way. While we hope that the State of NH will begin to address its education funding responsibilities, we also believe that towns should be able to enlist the creativity of their residents to resolve intra-town tax inequities in ways that the state currently limits. Toward that end, we urge our elected officials to pass enabling legislation that expands the opportunities for towns to raise revenue as their citizens see fit. (This article is by petition.)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will go on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address the issue of climate change which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future well being of the people of Plainfield.

These actions include:

1. Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy.
2. Creation of a major national research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy technologies thereby stimulating new jobs and investment.

In addition, the town of Plainfield encourages New Hampshire citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities, and we ask our selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions.

The record of the vote on this article shall be transmitted to the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation, to the President of the United States, and to declared candidates for those offices. (This article is by petition.)

ARTICLE 21. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

A True Copy Attest:

JUDITH A. BELYEA

MARK H. WILDER

ROBERT W. TAYLOR

SELECTMEN OF PLAINFIELD

PROPOSED 2007 TOWN OF PLAINFIELD BUDGET

EXPENDITURES	2006	2006	2007
Item	Approved	Expenditures	Request
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Executive	\$120,010	\$124,427	\$126,610
Election/Registration	\$7,280	\$9,018	\$5,980
Financial Administration	\$50,853	\$52,489	\$51,182
Revaluation of Property	\$13,000	\$12,242	\$13,000
Legal Expense	\$8,100	\$11,247	\$8,100
Personnel Administration	\$11,900	\$13,846	\$14,600
Planning and Zoning	\$2,500	\$2,306	\$7,500
General Government Buildings	\$5,950	\$6,485	\$5,950
Cemeteries	\$23,450	\$23,305	\$23,960
Insurances	\$41,700	\$41,102	\$36,700
Regional Associations	\$4,100	\$4,245	\$8,000
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police	\$214,080	\$213,424	\$224,590
Ambulance	\$27,100	\$32,770	\$31,000
Fire-Plainfield	\$39,000	\$39,000	\$39,000
Fire-Meriden	\$37,000	\$37,000	\$37,000
Building Inspection	\$8,800	\$6,257	\$8,800
Emergency Management	\$200	\$0	\$1,000
Hydrant Rentals/FFT	\$6,350	\$4,979	\$6,350
Dispatch Service	\$12,500	\$13,345	\$14,000
HIGHWAY			
Highway Administration	\$17,550	\$19,026	\$19,350
Highway and Streets	\$506,605	\$506,012	\$522,700
Road Projects	\$105,213	\$105,213	\$100,761
Street Lights	\$7,000	\$7,811	\$8,000
SANITATION			
Solid Waste Collection	\$130,200	\$135,001	\$135,000
Solid Waste Disposal	\$90,500	\$88,235	\$80,610
Health			
Health Department	\$18,064	\$16,165	\$17,900
Animal Control	\$400	\$1,112	\$1,500
WELFARE			
General Assistance	\$9,000	\$2,229	\$6,750
CULTURE AND RECREATION			
Recreation Commission	\$15,660	\$15,679	\$18,240
Library-Plainfield	\$46,412	\$46,412	\$49,537
Library-Meriden	\$32,063	\$32,063	\$32,035
Patriotic Purposes	\$2,000	\$1,647	\$1,500
Conservation Commission	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
DEBT SERVICE			
Principal Long-term debt	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
Interest Long-term debt	\$12,250	\$12,249	\$11,251
Interest T.A.N Notes	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,654,290	\$1,663,841	\$1,695,956

CAPITAL OUTLAY	2006	2006	2007
Hwy Transportation Fund	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$70,400
Hwy Loader Replacement	\$0	\$0	\$95,000
Hwy Equipment Reserve Fund	\$45,000	\$45,000	\$45,000
Police Cruiser Replacement	\$10,000	\$9,802	\$11,000
Bridge Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$10,000
Revaluation Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Town Hall Repair Fund	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$5,000
Library Repair Fund	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
Cemetery Projects	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
Marking Town Bounds	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Townsend Bridge & Trail Fund	\$0	\$0	\$7,163
Service Memorial	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0
Town Sign Project	\$0	\$0	\$3,000
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$137,500	\$137,302	\$262,063
GROSS EXPENDITURES	\$1,791,790	\$1,801,143	\$1,958,019
REVENUES	2006	2006	2007
Item	Anticipated	Received	Anticipated
TAXES			
Land Use Change Tax (1/2)	\$0	\$0	\$5,330
Yield Taxes	\$10,000	\$15,275	\$12,000
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Interest & Penalties	\$30,000	\$37,367	\$38,000
Excavations	\$200	\$84	\$200
LICENSES AND PERMITS			
Licenses & Fees	\$7,000	\$5,040	\$7,000
Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$450,000	\$431,074	\$435,000
Trash User Fees	\$132,000	\$124,465	\$123,000
STATE REVENUE			
Shared Revenue (town portion)	\$108,545	\$118,711	\$108,545
Highway Block Grant	\$105,213	\$105,213	\$100,761
State Reimbursements	\$162	\$275	\$162
CHARGES FOR SERVICE			
Income from Departments	\$43,000	\$31,628	\$36,500
Reimbursements	\$2,000	\$2,213	\$7,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE			
Sale of Town Property	\$2,000	\$3,412	\$3,500
Interest on Deposits	\$35,000	\$50,026	\$50,000
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Capital Reserve Funds	\$0	\$0	\$95,000
Trust Funds	\$11,000	\$11,875	\$12,000
Forestry Maintenance Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Fund Balance	\$0	\$9,353	\$21,063
BUDGET REVENUE TOTALS	\$942,120	\$951,473	\$1,061,061
2007 RECOMMENDED			
NET APPROPRIATION	\$849,670	\$849,670	\$896,958
Change in dollars from taxation			\$47,288.
Projected tax rate impact			\$0.22

Town Meeting March 14, 2006
Plainfield, New Hampshire

The annual meeting for the Town of Plainfield was held at the Plainfield School Gymnasium on Bonner Road on March 14, 2006. Stephen H. Taylor, moderator, opened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. with the reading of Article 1. Ruth Ann Wheeler moved to dispense with the complete reading of the warrant and Mark Wilder seconded it.

Total number on checklist:	1472
Total number of ballots cast:	588
Percentage voting:	40%

ARTICLE 1. To choose by ballot: One selectman for three years; One trustee of trust funds for three years; One library trustee (west side) for three years; One library trustee (east side) for three years; One cemetery trustee for three years; one Supervisor of the Checklist for six years and any other necessary town officers.

Selectman for three years:

Robert W. Taylor had 557 votes
Michael F. McNamara, Maura Hart and Kenneth L. Weeks each had one vote.

Robert W. Taylor was declared elected.

Trustee of Cemetery Funds for three years:

Howard Zea had 557 votes
Billy Sweetwater, Boone Rondeau, Bob Hewett, Thomas Spaulding, Pooh Sprague each had one
Vote.

Howard Zea was declared elected.

Library Trustee for three years-West Side:

Beth Williams had 548 votes
Jen Frederick, Nancy Liston, Ruth Stalker and James Taylor each had one vote.

Beth Williams was declared elected.

Library Trustee for three years- East Side:

Joseph Crate had 532 votes
Phil Conley, Des Hudson, William Taylor, Donna Beaupre each had one vote.

Joseph Crate was declared elected.

Trustee of Trust Funds for three years:

Donald Garfield had 557 votes

Elena Williams had one vote.

Don Garfield was declared elected.

Supervisor of Checklist for six years:

Harold L. Jones Jr. had 545 votes

Troy Medfield had one vote.

Harold L. Jones was declared elected.

ARTICLE 2. To see what action the town will take with regard to the following questions relative to the Plainfield Zoning Ordinances, **said changes being recommended by the planning board:**

Question 1.

To insure access to Federal Flood Insurance for Plainfield residents the following update to Flood Plain Overlay District (F) is required:

Remove the following language found on page 7 of the ordinance:

The following regulations in this ordinance shall apply to all lands designated as special flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its "Flood Insurance Study for the City/Town of Plainfield, N.H." together with the associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps, and Flood Boundary & Floodway Maps of the city/town dated April 18, 1983 which are declared to be a part of this ordinance and are hereby incorporated by reference.

Replace the removed language with the following:

The following regulations in this ordinance shall apply to all lands designated as special flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its "Flood Insurance Study for the County of Sullivan, N.H." dated May 23, 2006 or as amended together with the associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps, and Flood Boundary & Floodway Maps dated May 23, 2006 which are declared to be a part of this ordinance and are hereby incorporated by reference.

Replace the following definitions that already exist in the ordinance with this new wording:

Areas of special flood hazard in the land in the flood plain within the Town of Plainfield subject to a 1 percent or greater chance of flooding in any given year. The areas are designated as Zone A and AE on the Flood Insurance Rate Map.

Development means any man-made change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to buildings or other structures, mining, dredging, filling,

grading, paving, excavation or drilling operations or storage of equipment or materials.

Manufactured home means a structure, transportable in one or more sections, which is built on a permanent chassis and is designed for use with or without a permanent foundation when attached to the required utilities. For floodplain management purposes the term “manufactured home” includes park trailers, travel trailers, and other similar vehicles placed on site for greater than 180 consecutive days. This includes manufactured homes located in a manufactured home park or subdivision.

Regulatory floodway means the channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the base flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than a designated height.

Special flood hazard area see “area of special flood hazard”.

Add to the ordinance the following definitions:

Manufactured home park or subdivision means a parcel (or contiguous parcels) of land divided into two or more manufactured home lots for rent or sale.

New construction means, for the purposes of determining insurance rates, structures for which the “start of construction” commenced on or after the effective date of an initial FIRM or after December 31, 1974, whichever is later, and includes any subsequent improvements to such structures. For floodplain management purposes, new construction means structures for which the start of construction commenced on or after the effective date of a floodplain management regulation adopted by a community and includes any subsequent improvements to such structures.

Violation means the failure of a structure or other development to be fully compliant with the community’s flood plain management regulations. A structure or other development without the elevation certificate, other certifications, or other evidence of compliance required in 44CFR § 60.3(b)(5), (c)(4), (c)(10), (d)(3), (e)(2), (e)(4), or (e)(5) is presumed to be in violation until such time as that documentation is provided.

Remove the following definitions from the ordinance:

- Area of Shallow Flooding**
- Breakaway Wall**
- Flood Boundary and Floodway Map**

Replace Item V, 3 of the ordinance with the following:

Along watercourses with a designated regulatory floodway no encroachments, including fill new construction, substantial improvements, and other development are allowed within the floodway unless it has been demonstrated through hydrologic and hydraulic analyses performed in accordance with standard engineering practices that the proposed encroachment would not result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the base flood discharge.

Revise Item V, 4 of the ordinance to read as the following:

Until a regulatory floodway is designated along watercourses, no new construction, substantial improvements, or other development (including fill) shall be permitted within zone AE on the FIRM, unless it is demonstrated by the applicant that the cumulative effect of the proposed development, when combined with all existing and anticipated development, will not increase the water surface elevation of the base flood more than one foot at any point within the community.

Add following language to Item V of the ordinance:

The building inspector shall obtain, review, and reasonably utilize any floodway data available from federal, state, or other sources as criteria for requiring that all development located in Zone A meet the following floodway requirement:

"No encroachments, including fill, new construction, substantial improvements, and other development are allowed within the floodway that would result in any increase in flood levels within the community during the base flood discharge."
Additional Revisions and Additions:

Add a new Item I reading:
All proposed development in any special flood hazard areas shall require a permit.

Re-number the following items:

- In Item VI, 1. b change “unnumbered A zones” for “Zone A”.
- In Item VI, 2. a refer only to Zones A and AE.
- Remove Item VI, 1. c completely as the town has no mapped Zone AO.
- Remove Item VI, 2. e as the town has no mapped Zones AO and AH.

Yes	449	No	75
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The question was declared in the affirmative.

Question 2.

To insure that any proposed state governmental project receives the same type of review under the zoning ordinance as private business, remove from all zones the Special Exception #18 State facility. The result being that these types of projects

would be reviewed under section 3.5 of the ordinance “Approved Business Project.”

Yes 456 No 76

The question was declared in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 3. To see what action the town will take with regard to the following question relative to the Plainfield Zoning Ordinances, **said change is by petition:**

The Town of Plainfield Zoning Ordinance in Article II, Section 2.1 (1) states that the purpose of the Village Residential Zone is "to encourage the development of residential centers of land suitable for building development and which will serve as a nucleus of community activity."

Large businesses within a predominately residential zone shall be detrimental to the quality and safety of the village. Such a large business will drastically change the character of the Village.

Currently the ordinance provides that if an existing business or a new business is beyond the size and intensity of an "Approved Cottage Business" (seven workers) it must seek a permit as an "Approved Business Project" (no worker limit).

REMOVE FROM SCHEDULE A - VILLAGE RESIDENTIAL LIST OF SPECIAL EXCEPTION OPTION NO. 35 "APPROVED BUSINESS PROJECT".

Yes..... 99
No 451

The question was declared in the negative.

Moderator Stephen Taylor, called the recessed meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. on Saturday, March 18, 2006. Rev. Harold Jones, followed by a salute to the flag, gave an invocation and the singing of “America the Beautiful” led by Betsy Rybeck-Lynd.

Howard Zea moved to dispense with the reading of the warrant, seconded by Paul Franklin.

ARTICLE 4. Stephen Halleran made the following resolution: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,644,785 to defray town charges for the 2006 fiscal year. Rob Taylor seconded it.

1. Executive	\$120,010
2. Election/Registration/Vital Statistics	7,280
3. Financial Administration	50,853

4. Revaluation of Property	13,000
5. Legal Expenses	8,100
6. Personnel Administration	11,900
7. Planning and Zoning	2,500
8. General Government Buildings	5,950
9. Cemeteries	23,450
10. Insurance	41,700
11. Regional Associations	4,100
12. Police Department	212,480
13. Ambulance Service	27,100
14. Fire Departments -Plainfield	39,000
-Meriden	37,000
15. Building Inspection	8,800
16. Emergency Management	200
17. Hydrant & Forest Fire Expense	6,350
18. Dispatching for Fire, Police & Ambulance	12,500
19. Highway Administration	17,550
20. Highways and Streets	498,700
21. Road Projects	105,213
22. Street Lights	7,000
23. Solid Waste Collection	130,200
24. Solid Waste Disposal	90,500
25. Health Agencies	18,064
26. Animal Control	400
27. Welfare	9,000
28. Recreation Commission	15,660
29. Libraries - Plainfield	46,412
- Meriden	32,063
30. Patriotic	2,000
31. Conservation Commission	2,500
32. Principal Long-term debt	25,000
33. Interest Long-term debt	12,250

Total: \$ 1,644,785

Stephen Halleran said that the town ended 2005 by adding \$64,000 to the unreserved Fund balance bringing the total to an audited \$405,372. For a community our size the NH Dept of Revenue recommends a fund balance of between \$350,000 to \$700,000. Halleran said that the Selectmen felt their first priority is to insure the overall financial health of the town. As witnessed in 2005, no town in our region is insulated from natural disasters and the resulting unanticipated expenditures. Alstead to our south and Hanover to our north both experienced significant damage to their road systems due to high water events. Had the microburst that hit Hanover traveled just twenty miles to the south it could have been Plainfield that received \$500,000 worth of road damage in less than twenty minutes. In the event of a disaster, fund balance would be our insurance policy and would be available to help repair damaged infrastructure.

Halleran said that every \$215,000 we spend raises our tax rate \$1.00 conversely every \$215,000 we receive from nonproperty tax sources will reduce our rate by \$1.00.

Halleran said as in past years, the budgetary process was a collaborative effort involving the board of selectmen, the finance committee, two boards of library trustees, three land use boards, two fire associations, and multiple outside agencies that all submit funding requests. The budget looks to balance the short-term and long-term critical needs versus wants and to balance all this with our community's collective ability to pay both now and into the future.

Halleran said that as part of the budgetary hearings, it became clear that we are not meeting our responsibility to adequately fund the long term care of our road system. This will be addressed under Article 9 in the proposed Transportation Improvement Fund.

A vote by paper ballot was taken.
Yes 194 No 18

It was vote in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE 5. Robert Taylor offered the following motion: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$10,000** for the second year's payment on the two year police cruiser lease approved under article 5 of the 2004 annual meeting. Judy Belyea seconded it.

A vote by hand was taken and there were no votes in opposition. It was a unanimous vote and so declared.

ARTICLE 6. Mark Wilder offered the following motion: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$67,500** to be placed in existing town capital reserve and general trust funds, pursuant to RSA 35:1 and RSA 31:19-a as follows:

- RSA 35:1 funds:
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| \$5,000 | Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994. |
| \$5,000 | Revaluation Fund created in 1993. |
| \$45,000 | Highway Vehicles Fund created in 1987. |
- RSA 31:19a funds:
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| \$10,000 | Town Hall Repair Fund established in 1996. |
| \$2,500 | Library Building Repair Fund established in 1992. |

The selectmen are named agents to expend for the bridge fund, the town hall repair fund and the library building repair fund. Wilder explained that there is

an increase of \$5000 in the town hall fund to cover the repair of the back shed on the Plainfield Village Town Hall.

A vote by hand was taken and there were no votes in opposition. It was a unanimous vote and so declared.

ARTICLE 7. Judy Belyea offered the following motion: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$3,000** for the purpose of establishing the bounds of individual burial lots to be offered for sale in the Gleason Cemetery.

A vote by hand was taken and there were no votes in opposition. It was a unanimous vote and so declared.

ARTICLE 8. Robert Taylor offered the following motion: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$2,000** to be used by the veterans memorial committee, established by Article 11 of the 2004 meeting, to continue with plans for a suitable memorial to town veterans.

Taylor thanked the veterans memorial committee for their effort and said that an easel was in the foyer with the conceptual design. The memorial will be located at the entrance to the Plainfield Cemetery in Plainfield Village. Monies for the actual monument will be obtained through fund raising.

A vote by hand was taken and there were no votes in opposition. It was a unanimous vote and so declared.

ARTICLE 9. Mark Wilder offered the following motion: To see if the town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund to be called the “Transportation Improvement Fund” pursuant to the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of highway related improvement. Further, to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$50,000** to be deposited into the fund.

Wilder explained that this article was recommended by the finance committee to start preparing for the future work on Willow Brook Road as well as other roads. We use the highway block grant with local funds now to repair our roads but projects like Willow Brook Road costs are estimated to be over \$1,000,000.

Halleran offered that we have tried to get the state to take over this road to no avail and that even if the state did, it might not be maintained well.

The town has applied for a FEMA grant and townspeople can write to their representatives in support.

A paper ballot was taken.

Yes	205	No	11
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It was declared a vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 10. Stephen Halleran offered the following motion: To see if the town will vote to authorize, starting with fiscal year 2006, that twenty five percent of the revenues collected from current use change tax penalties, pursuant to RSA 79-A, be deposited into the conservation fund established pursuant to RSA 36A:5. Currently, fifty percent of the revenues collected are deposited into the Conservation Fund.

Halleran explained that this was not a negative against the conservation commission but since the current use penalties have increased substantially in the last few years; it was felt that it should be brought to the meeting to re-affirm the town's wishes.

A paper ballot was taken.

Yes	69	No 148
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It was a vote in the negative and so declared.

ARTICLE 11. Robert Taylor offered the following motion: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 79-A:25 to account for revenues received from the land use change tax in a fund separate from the general fund? Any surplus remaining in the land use change tax fund shall not be part of the general fund until such time the legislative body shall have an opportunity at an annual meeting to vote to appropriate a specific amount from the land use change fund for any purpose not prohibited by the laws or by the constitution of this state. After an annual meeting any unappropriated balance of the land use change tax revenue received during the prior fiscal year shall be recognized as general fund revenue for the current fiscal year.

Taylor explained that with the defeat of the previous article, fifty percent of the Current Use penalties will continue to go into the Conservation Fund and the remaining fifty percent would be carried to the next town meeting if this article passed. A warrant article (s) would be created for the use of the monies, which the town would vote on. Monies could be used for any purpose such as land preservation or to offset taxes. It would be next year's body that would decide.

A vote by paper ballot was taken.

Yes	151	No	62
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It was a vote in the affirmative and so declared.

A recess for lunch was taken at 11:50 and the meeting resumed at 12:30 p.m. with the gavel being held by assistant Moderator Paul Franklin.

The following officers elected on Tuesday 3/14/06 were sworn in by Moderator Taylor:
Harold Jones, Beth Williams, Howard Zea, Donald Garfield and Robert Taylor

ARTICLE 12. Judy Belyea offered the following motion: To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a contract or contracts for not more than five years for the curbside collection of household garbage, selected recyclables, and for the disposal of said garbage. The purpose being to continue the existing waste management program that has been in place since 1991 and to act on the recommendations by the solid waste committee established by the passage of article 14 at the 2005 town meeting.

Richard Atkinson referred to the report of the committee as printed in the town report and said that the committee has worked diligently to compare all areas of the trash picture and reach a decision that will benefit the town.

A vote by paper ballot was taken.

Yes	197	No	3
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It was a vote in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE 13. Mark Wilder offered the following motion: To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to reappoint the Solid Waste Committee established by the passage of article 14 at the 2005 meeting for an additional one-year term. Further to instruct the committee to continue with its work on developing a solid waste management strategy for the community and to report its findings at the 2007 town meeting.

Bill McGonigle spoke briefly about the goals the committee is reaching for and feels that its focus will be on increasing recycling which will bring the greatest cost benefits. The committee feels that a yearly collection of the hard to get rid of items would be of great benefit and get things like electronics out of the waste stream.

A voice vote was taken. The “ayes” were unanimous and it was declared a vote in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 14. David Grobe offered the following motion: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000** to be used by the conservation commission to refresh the boundary markings of town-owned properties where needed. Further to withdraw said sum from the Forest Maintenance Fund established in 1992 pursuant to RSA 31:113.

Grobe explained that several town properties have unknown boundaries and that this article would address that problem. The first property would be the Townsend lot and others would be done as funds permitted.

A hand vote was taken and there were no negative votes. It was declared in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 15. Stephen Halleran offered the following motion: To see if the town will vote to increase the real estate exemption on dormitories, dining rooms, and kitchens of Kimball Union Academy above the required \$150,000 as allowed in RSA 72:23, to one hundred (100) percent of the assessed value of property over which the town has statutory discretion.

Halleran referred to the report of the study committee in the report. He said that the committee is encouraged by Kimball Union’s commitment to offer the grants on a “needs” basis.

A vote by paper ballot was taken.

Yes	151	No	64
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It was a vote in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE 16. Judy Belyea offered the following motion; To see if the town will direct the selectmen to appoint, within 60 days of town meeting, a committee to continue the KUA/Plainfield study. The charge to this committee shall be to meet with representatives of the KUA administration and maintain an ongoing review of the relationship between the academy and the town, including any agreement pursuant to RSA 72:23, and to report its findings at next March's annual town meeting.

A voice vote was taken and the “ayes” had it. It was a vote in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE 17. Mark Wilder offered the following motion: To see if the town will vote to instruct the moderator to appoint a finance committee (advisory only) of six Plainfield voters to advise the selectmen, and other officers of the town in the prudential affairs of the town.

A voice vote was taken and the “ayes” had it. It was a vote in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE 18. Judy Belyea offered the following motion: That the Town vote, subject to correction, to accept the reports of the town officers and committees as they appear in the 2005 annual report. A corrected copy will be placed on file with the Town Clerk.

A voice vote was taken and the “ayes” had it. It was a vote in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE 19. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Laura Ward came forward and asked that the select board contact the community transportation service of Claremont and see if Plainfield could be added as stop. She felt that residents could benefit from public transportation.

Lee Lynd came forward and said that he had headed a Tax Equity Committee. He felt that the Town should expand its flexibility to give tax relief to those in need.

Sandy Stettenheim came forward and asked that in the future, the Town report give the names of committees and boards and show how they voted.

Rob Taylor wanted to reiterate that the Town’s thanks for the efforts of the various emergency services in Plainfield – our two Fire Departments and the Cornish Rescue Squad. He also said that volunteers are needed.

Gordon Gillens moved that the meeting be closed, seconded by Max Jewell. The meeting adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Ann Wheeler
Town Clerk

TREASURER’S REPORT

Cash On hand, January 1 st , 2006	
Cash-checking	\$ 37,972
Cash-Investments	\$1,987,948
Total	\$2,025,920
Receipts during the fiscal year	\$2,526,340
Total available	\$4,552,260
Less selectmen’s orders	\$2,396,955
Cash On Hand, December 31st, 2006	\$2,155,305
Cash-Checking	\$48,500
Cash-Investments	\$2,106,805

Respectfully Submitted,
Fred Sweet , Treasurer

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS-March 2006

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	\$ 120,010
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	7,280
Financial Administration	50,853
Revaluation of Property	13,000
Legal Expense	8,100
Personnel Administration	11,900
Planning and Zoning	2,500
General Government Buildings	5,950
Cemeteries	23,450
Insurances	41,700
Advertising and Regional Expense	4,100

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	212,480
Ambulance	27,100
Fire Protection.	76,000
Emergency Management	200
Dispatch and Forest Fire Expense	18,850
Building Inspection	8,800

HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES

Highways and Streets	516,250
Road Projects	105,213
Street Lights	7,000

SANITATION

Garbage Collection	130,200
Solid Waste Disposal	90,500

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Health Department	18,064
Pest Control	400

WELFARE

Welfare Department	9,000
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CULTURE AND RECREATION

Recreation Commission	15,660
Libraries	78,475
Patriotic	2,000
Conservation Commission	2,500

DEBT SERVICE

Principal on Long-term debts	25,000
Interest on Long-term debts	12,250

OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL..... \$1,644,785

PURCHASES

Article 5 Police cruiser lease	10,000
Article 7 Cemetery layout	3,000
Article 8 Veterans Memorial design	2,000
Article 14 Town Boundary Marking project	\$5,000

OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT

Article 9 Transportation Improvement Fund	\$50,000
Article 6 Highway Vehicle Fund	45,000

Article 6 Highway Bridge Fund	5,000
Article 6 Revaluation Fund.....	5,000

OPERATING TRANSFERS TO TRUST AND AGENCY FUNDS

Article 6 Town Hall Repair Fund.....	10,000
Article 6 Library Repair Fund.....	2,500

CAPITAL OUTLAY TOTAL.....	\$137,500
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL.....	\$1,644,785
TOTAL TOWN MEETING APPROPRIATIONS.....	\$1,782,285



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Many of the 2006 Turkey Trot Participants
Thanksgiving Morning

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land, improved and unimproved	\$72,673,728
Buildings.....	145,631,900
Public Utilities	4,577,100
Total Value Before Exemptions	\$222,882,728
Blind Exemption	30,000
Elderly Exemption	1,521,700
Total and Permanently Disabled Exemption.....	139,500
School/Dining/Kitchen Exemption (town vote).....	5,143,500
School/Dining/Kitchen Exemption (state law).....	150,000
Total Exemptions Allowed.....	\$6,984,700
Net Value Used for Local Tax Rate.....	\$215,898,028
Net Value Used for State Education Rate	\$211,320,928
Electric Utility Property detail	
Granite State Electric	\$1,843,100
New England Power Company.....	\$1,375,700
New Hampshire Electric Cooperative.....	\$738,000
Public Service of NH	\$620,300

WAR SERVICE CREDITS

Total and Permanently Disabled Veterans	\$4,200
Standard Exemptions (\$150/veteran).....	16,800
Total War Service Credits	\$21,000

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

Total Town Appropriation		\$1,782,285
Total Revenues and Credits	less	942,120
Share Revenues	less	10,166
Overlay	add	40,000
War Service Credits	add	21,000
A) Net Town Appropriation	Equals	890,999
Net Local School Budget		4,651,063
Adequate Education Grant	less	781,566
State Education Taxes	less	615,731
B) Approved Local School Assessment	Equals	3,253,766
C) Approved State Education Assessment	Equals	615,731
D) Approved County Tax Assessment	Equals	515,500
Total Town, School, and County (a+b+c+d)	Equals	\$5,275,996

TAX COMMITMENT ANALYSIS

Property Taxes to be Raised	\$5,275,996
Less War Service Credits	21,000
Total Property Taxes to be Raised	\$5,254,996

TAX RATE BREAKDOWN

	Prior year tax rate	Approved year tax rate
Town	3.37	4.13
County	2.80	2.39
Local School	14.69	15.07
State School	2.79	2.91
Combined tax rate	\$23.65	\$24.50

Net value on which local tax rates are computed	\$215,898,028
Net value on which state tax rate is computed	\$211,320,928

CURRENT USE REPORT

Land Categories (acres)

Farm Land.....	2,855
Forest Land	23,439
Unproductive Land.....	1,460
Total acres in current use (includes Conservation Restrictions)	27,754

TAX EXEMPT PROPERTIES

CHURCHES AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

Community Baptist Church& parsonage	\$455,100
First Baptist Church& parsonage	328,600
Meriden Congregational Church& parsonage	906,100
Singing Hills Christian Fellowship	1,747,300
Connecticut Valley Christ Community Church	2,096,900

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Kimball Union Academy (state law educational prop).....	18,515,600
Kimball Union Academy (state law dorm, kitchen, dining prop).....	150,000
Kimball Union Academy (town vote).....	5,143,500

CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

Grafton Pond Trust.....	308,700
New England Wildflower Association.	241,200
Plainfield Historical Society	157,200

PUBLIC SERVICE INSTITUTIONS

The Nature Conservancy	27,800
Meriden Volunteer Fire Department.....	206,500
Meriden Village Water and Sewer District.	770,200
Plainfield Village Water District.....	435,400
Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department.....	277,700

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Land on Stage Road	1,500
Land on River Road	134,200
Duncan State Forest	221,200

GRANGES

Blow-Me-Down Grange	329,300
Meriden Grange.....	156,900

LAND OWNED BY OTHER TOWNS

Cornish	5,000
Grantham	30,300

TOTAL EXEMPT PROPERTIES\$32,646,200

SCHEDULE OF TOWN OWNED LAND AND BUILDINGS

DESCRIPTION and VALUATION

Town Hall -Plainfield	\$ 247,100
-Meriden(includes Police Dept.)	322,800
Libraries -Plainfield	1,056,100
-Meriden.....	167,600
Highway Garage.....	201,200
Plainfield Elementary School	2,467,800
Burnaps Island	30,500

SCHEDULE OF TOWN OWNED LAND AND BUILDINGS (continued)

Dump Lot	34,500
Gravel Pit	148,000
Spencer Lot	167,900
Whitaker Road Intersections	10,600
Tallow Hill Intersection	38,800
Benson Donation	72,300
French's Ledges	34,800
Cram Hill Lot	29,500
Stage Road Ball Field	188,000
Thompson Donation (Moulton Cemetery)	47,600
Farnum Lot	72,700
Town Pound	18,900
TOTAL	\$5,356,700

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

In 2006, we registered 648 dogs and veterinarian rabies reports indicated another dozen or so new dogs. This year we will be switching to a different style of dog tag as our local manufacturer has retired.

The majority of residents faithfully register their dogs every year. Unfortunately, about 20% each year are delinquent. This creates a lot of extra work and expense for our office and for the police department.

New Hampshire law requires that you register your dog and have a current rabies certification from your veterinarian. This week as I am writing this, I have three examples that emphasize the value of your compliance. This morning a woman called from Cornish with two stray dogs. By consulting my list, I was able to give her the name of the owners. She was able to make a phone call and not have to call the police. I had a similar example a couple of weeks ago.

If these two people had called the police, the dogs would have been impounded and ended up at one of the local shelters. The shelters charge a large fee for this service and the dogs would have suffered the trauma of capture and being brought to a strange location.

A more important example is a dog bite situation where our officers had to ascertain that the dogs were properly licensed and that the rabies shots were current. If the dog who bit had not had a current rabies shot on record, it would have had to be impounded and quarantined.

Please take time this year to comply with the law and register your dog(s) by the April 30th deadline.

During the year, the following fees were collected and remitted to the Treasurer:

Motor Vehicles	\$431,074.00
Dogs, vitals, UCC, misc.	7,246.00

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Ann Wheeler
Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

There are many questions asked about how interest is calculated and hopefully, this will explain the procedure.

If you cannot make the entire payment when it is due, pay what you can. It is to your advantage to make any payment rather than saving up the entire amount. If you wait until you have the whole amount, you will pay interest on the whole amount. If you make partial payments, you will save money on the interest earned.

Tax collection in Plainfield and across the state is regulated by state RSA's which make the process uniform for all towns and cities. The interest rate and how it is applied are set by the legislature. Taxes are due and payable 30 days from either June 1 or November 1 (or if the bills are sent later, 30 days from start date). Interest of 12% begins on July 2 or December 2. It is simple interest--basically 1% a month. It is always calculated on current balance and does not go back to original date. For example, if you are 25 days late, you will pay interest for those 25 days. If you make a partial payment, you will pay the interest to the date of payment on the total. Interest will then be calculated on the balance when you make the next payment

If the bill is paid 25 days late--say 12/26

Amount of tax times 12% divided by 365 days times number of days.

\$2000 times 12% = \$240 divided by 365 = .658 times number of days .66x25 = \$16.45.

If you paid only \$1000, the interest would be \$16.45 (interest is collected first). You would have a balance due of \$1016.45. The interest would be figured on this balance when you make the next payment -- the day count beginning on 12/26 to the date of payment.

The town can also accept pre-payments after January 1 each year. You can make partial payments, which can be applied to the next payment. Several people do this and have only a small balance left at bill time.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Ann Wheeler
Tax Collector

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Fiscal Year ending December 31st 2006

-Debits-

Uncollected Taxes

Beginning of fiscal year	2006	2005
Property taxes		\$277,983.63
Land use change tax		\$68,399.87

Taxes Committed to Collector

Property taxes	\$5,256,002.00
Land use change taxes	\$28,460.00
Yield taxes	\$15,293.54
Excavation activities	\$199.00

Overpayments

Property taxes	\$3,636.69	
Interest collected on		
Delinquent taxes	\$5,224.43	\$18,702.10

TOTAL DEBITS	\$5,308,815.66	\$365,085.60
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-Credits-

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year

Property taxes	\$4,919,950.64	\$172,005.02
Land use changes taxes	\$10,660.00	29,899.87
Excavation	\$84.00	
Timber yield taxes	\$15,029.54	
Interest on taxes	\$5,224.43	\$18,702.10
Converted to liens (principal only)	245.00	\$144,128.61
Prior year overpayments assigned	1160.33	

Abatements Granted During Fiscal Year

Property taxes	\$775.00	350.00
Timber tax	19.00	
Excavation	84.00	

Overpayments Collected During Fiscal Year

Property taxes-returned	\$2292.00
Property taxes-credit	\$184.36

Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year

Property taxes	\$335,276.36
Land Use Change	\$17,800
Excavation Tax	31.00

TOTAL CREDITS	\$5,308.815.66	\$365,085.60
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TAX COLLECTOR'S LIEN REPORT
December 31st 2006

	-Debits-		
Unredeemed Liens	2005	2004	2003+
Beginning of year	-	\$44,115.32	\$12,615.56
New Liens	\$155,487.26		
Interests/Penalties	\$3,520.56	\$6,412.75	\$3,505.02
TOTAL DEBITS	\$159,007.82	\$50,528.07	\$16,120.58

	-Credits-		
Remittance to Treasurer			
Redemptions	\$57,749.62	\$26,157.19	\$12,615.56
Interest/Penalties	\$3,520.56	\$6,412.75	\$3,505.02
Unredeemed Liens	\$97,737.64	\$17,958.13	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$159,007.82	\$50,528.07	\$16,120.58

Total amount of funds remitted to treasurer by tax collector \$5,424,913.94

REPORT OF WOOD OR TIMEBER CUT
Year ending March 31st, 2006

Total reports filed.....	20
Total yield tax assessed	\$16,518
Softwood cut, MBF	798
Hardwood cut, MBF	274
Cordwood cut, cords	225
Pulpwood/chips, tons	6831
Pulpwood, cords	0

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith A. Belyea,
Yield Tax Agent

SELECTBOARD REPORT

The Board of Selectmen accomplished many projects in 2006. Our dedicated employees and committees assisted us in finalizing several of these projects. We continue to meet the first and third Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm at the Meriden Town Hall.

We regret the loss of two of our outstanding employees, Betty Ann Dole and George Prescott each of whom spent many, many hours helping our residents and especially our children. They will be greatly missed.

Operationally, the most significant accomplishment during the year was a the signing of a contract with the City of Lebanon to have access to the Lebanon Landfill for our municipal solid waste. The contract with the NH/VT solid waste district expires on June 30th of 2007 and we will start delivering waste to Lebanon's facility July 1st with a much-reduced tipping fee. This new contract, which the selectboard had been working on since 2000, will serve our community very well particularly as the other 28 town's in our district begin to look for alternatives for their waste disposal. The Town's recycling coordinator and our solid waste committee continue to be very active insuring that our recycling programs including the curbside collection will continue.

The Police Chief and Town Administrator have worked with the State to set up an inoculation site at the Plainfield Elementary School for pandemic planning purposes. This effort is part of region #4 and will be shared with Cornish is the event that inoculations are needed.

Willow Brook Road received preliminary approval to receive \$190,000 of FEMA hazard mitigation dollars to assist with the reconstruction of some of the more threatening areas. Final approval remains pending, however, we feel optimistic that this will happen.

Westgate Road was reconstructed and paved by the highway crew. This was an excellent job and a great improvement to the neighborhood. In addition, Methodist Hill, one of our busiest commuting roads besides Willow Brook, was shimmed.

Baynes Road, constructed as part of the MVD, LLC subdivision development, was formally accepted by the Board of Selectmen on December 6th.

The Selectboard approved the use of our highway department crew for the school's municipal sewer hook up. This allowed the school to complete this work; despite being unable to obtain a competitive bid for the \$40,000 in allotted funds. Much of the work was done on weekend days. After deducting the hard costs of the project, the town hopes to deposit the \$20,400 received from the school for having done the work into the transportation enhancement fund to be used for Willow Brook Road. The Board of Selectmen is open to doing more of these types of projects in the future to help save tax dollars.

The Town was fortunate to receive an easement from Kimball Union for the portion of the French's Ledge trail network that is located on their land adjacent to the Plainfield School property. A private effort was made to build a bridge across Bloods brook which resulted in the "Sally & Ira Townsend Bridge." This bridge and the easement in combination with similar easements on the Townsend land will insure forever, public access to all the trails that surround the French's Ledges area.

Near the end of 2006, we were presented with a gift of land located adjacent to the town's existing gravel pit. The parcel is approximately ten acres and will significantly extend the useful life of our municipal gravel pit. This is a very generous gift and will be a great asset to the Town.

We thank all the town employees and our many volunteers for their continuing efforts to make Plainfield a great place to live.

Respectfully,

The Plainfield Selectboard

Judy Belyea (Chair)

Robert Taylor

Mark Wilder

REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

As directed by the board of selectmen, the town office worked on the following projects during 2006:

Solid Waste Disposal: Based on work done by our current and past boards of selectmen dating back to 2000 and the ongoing efforts of our solid waste committee we will be able to gain access to the Lebanon landfill for our municipal solid waste starting in July of 2007. Given the proximity to Plainfield of this facility and its sub seventy-dollar tipping fee this new arrangement should serve our community very well. A key piece of this effort was the meeting of our Selectboard with the Lebanon City Council in August of this year. In a related matter, Plainfield continues to participate heavily in Lebanon's current efforts to promote savings through enhanced regional cooperation. It is expected that this larger effort will produce additional opportunities for cost savings.

Property Assessments: the town was able to defend the property appraisal model in use since the 2003 revaluation before the NH Supreme Court. This was the final piece of business related to the 2003 reappraisal. All factors that are contributory to value must be accounted for when developing a specific property's assessment. Further, to be granted an abatement a taxpayer must demonstrate that the property in question is being asked to pay a disproportionate share of the overall tax burden; simply criticizing the assessment methodology is not sufficient grounds to be granted relief.

Brook Road: The town has received preliminary approval from the Bureau of Emergency Management for approximately \$190,000 worth of FEMA hazard mitigation money to assist with the some of the most threatening areas along Brook Road. Final approval from FEMA, still pending, however, is expected. Senator Judd Gregg's office has been very helpful to Plainfield in this effort. The entire application process has taken nearly two years to complete and about \$5,000 of local money in engineering work.

French's Ledges Trail Easement: Building on the privately driven effort that was successful in reestablishing a bridge across Blood's Brook adjacent to the Plainfield

Elementary School, an enhanced easement was developed by the town and granted by Kimball Union that insures “forever” public access to all the trails surrounding the French’s Ledges. This private effort was an extraordinary example of the human resources in our community and we were happy to be able to be a small part of the overall effort.

MVD, LLC/Baynes Road: Based on a favorable recommendation of the town’s engineering firm, the Selectboard in December accepted Baynes Road as a town maintained highway.

GIS System: The town’s planning board now has access to software which will allow the board to more fully utilize the potential of the town’s GIS.

Veterans/Service Memorial: The design for the Veterans or Service Memorial has been developed and has been on display around town. The implementation of a capital campaign is the final step that needs to be completed in the coming year to allow for construction to begin.

Submitted,

Stephen Halleran
Town Administrator

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Zoning Administrator:	Stephen Halleran	469-3201
Building Inspector:	David Lersch	675-9318-Summer
	Thomas Lappin	469-3004-Winter

Permits for the following projects were issued in 2006:

6	New Single family residences	4	Renewals
4	Replacement SFH’s	3	Commercial Projects
1	Accessory Apartment	4	Garages
12	Renovations	1	Communication tower
9	Additions	11	Decks/porches
1	Pool	14	Barns/Sheds/Outbuildings
1	Solar		

Permit total= 73

Respectfully Submitted,
Stephen Halleran
Zoning Administrator

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

During the year the board **GRANTED** the following appeals:

2006-01: Mark and Sandy Horne: Approved business project to include a residential unit, a storage facility, and a limited distribution depot on property located at 1044 Route 12A. **Note:** As part of a subsequent motion for rehearing, the project application was withdrawn by the applicant, rendering this approval moot.

2006-02: Daniel Proulx: Accessory Apartment, 111 Dodge Road.

During the year the board **DENIED** the following requests:

Due to expired filing deadline the zoning board determined it had no jurisdiction to considering hearing an appeal of the planning board approved site plan review for Townline Equipment Sales Inc.

PLANNING BOARD

During the year the Planning Board approved the following applications:

Subdivisions:

Quimby, William & Charlotte	One new lot, Bean Road
Torrey, Heirs of	Three lots, Cutler Road
Spencer, Claudine	One new lot, Hayward Road
Griffiths, James	One new lot Harriman Road
Cullinan, Edward	Two new lots, Whitaker Road
Jordan, Otis & Alice	Two lots, Spencer/Westgate Roads
Horne, Mark & Sandy	Two new lots, Route 12A

Annexations:

Quimby, William & Charlotte	6 acres of land to property of Darrell & Amy Beaupre
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Site Plan Reviews:

Verison Wireless	10' extension to a communication tower located at 97 Freeman Road.
Kimball Union	Athletic field complex, Main Street.
Jackson, Matthew	Private car storage facility, 830 Route 12A
Townline Equipment	New shop, retail sales facility, 1474 Route 12A

In addition to the above applications, the planning board conducted a master plan update survey, continued to participate in the development of a natural resource inventory for the community and worked with the town's developing geographic information system.

Significant effort was also spent developing proposed zoning amendments to address issues of concern as revealed by the master plan survey results.

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

“The Plainfield Conservation Award commends an individual who has demonstrated outstanding stewardship of Plainfield’s natural resources and open space lands, and by their example and actions, gives all residents the opportunity to appreciate these assets. The Plainfield Conservation Commission presents this award to Ira “Ike” Townsend on this day, July 4, 2006.” So reads the inscription describing the award and recipient on the occasion of the inaugural Plainfield Conservation Award. Much more could be written, but from leading kids around the woods or coaching them off a ski jump, to donating, with his family, land conservation easements replete with impeccably groomed trails, Ira Townsend embodies the spirit of this award.

The conservation commission was also proud to support the Plainfield Community Bridge Project; and even more proud of the group of residents - Plainfield Trailblazers old and new - who conceived of, raised funds for, and then built a fantastic bridge near the Plainfield Elementary School that allows students and the rest of us access to various natural communities found in the floodplain and amongst the ledges across the brook. The bridge will prove to be the best access to the town-owned Townsend Lot and provide another starting point for hikers destined for the top of French’s Ledges. Townsend footprints have been made in this area for half a century or more, and the bridge has fittingly been named the “Ira and Sara Townsend Bridge”. At the memorable dedication ceremony, the entire student body was introduced to the Townsends before everyone paraded to the ribbon cutting and around a short loop trail before returning to school.

The bridge site and a significant portion of these trails are on land owned by Kimball Union Academy, and they very generously have donated an easement to the town which guarantees us a right to these uses forever. It is beyond the scope of this report to mention all the local people and businesses who contributed, but it was a community project in the truest sense of the word. The foresight shown by our selectmen in the acquisition and terms of this easement should not be overlooked. The conservation commission will monitor the condition of the bridge and trails, and in the unlikely event that the Trailblazers don’t beat us to it, coordinate any required maintenance.

The Forest Maintenance Fund had a year-end balance of \$21,952, although \$5000 of this was committed at town meeting to identify and mark boundaries on town-owned land. The conservation commission, after consultation with the selectmen to prioritize our list, decided the aforementioned Townsend Lot, just across the Brook from the school and below French’s Ledges, needed the most attention and engaged the services of Rollins Land Survey to undertake this complex task. We plan to continue this project on the next properties in line and will be asking voters to approve another \$5000 expenditure from the fund at town meeting. The source of these funds was income from a timber harvest completed in the year 2000 at the Benson Town Forest.

The Conservation Fund will have a balance of \$80,512, a figure which includes 50% of the 2005 and 2006 penalties for converting open space land in current use to developed land that had not yet been deposited into the fund. Voters reaffirmed their support for this 50-50 formula for distributing the penalty funds when a proposal to reduce the percentage was rejected at town meeting by a comfortable margin. We do infer from this that the majority of townspeople will support steps we take in partnership with willing landowners to

conserve our best farm and forest land, water supplies, wildlife habitat, and other landscape features. If you see any possibility that you would like to play a role in this process, please contact the conservation commission.

Two members represent the conservation commission on the Natural Resource Inventory Committee. The inventory describes various natural resources and accompanying maps illustrate each resource's distribution within the town. Sections on groundwater sources, surface waters and watersheds, wetlands, agricultural lands, and conserved lands are among the natural resources being included in the initial inventory. The basic purposes of the Inventory are to provide information to our residents, help prioritize conservation efforts, and support the town's master plan. The initial basic inventory will be finished in early 2007.

In September, The Nature Conservancy requested our assistance to cover a portion of the expenses associated with a conservation easement that may be donated to that organization. The conservation commission considered The Nature Conservancy's request at a public hearing in October, and agreed to make a donation of \$5000 from the conservation fund, contingent upon resolution of public access issues. Unfortunately, in spite of the property's important and unique natural communities, these issues could not be resolved and in November the commission declined to proceed with our offer. It is more important than ever that we receive guidance from residents when we consider supporting easement projects with expenditures from the conservation fund. We will try to do a better job publicizing our public hearings, but let us know if you would like to be notified directly.

Toward the end of the year, the conservation commission became a sounding board for the planning board as the latter group fleshed out a proposal to include provisions for wetland and water body setbacks and vegetated buffers in the zoning ordinance. There is little dispute that it is best to buffer these resources from the impacts of future development, but the commission cautioned the planning board that such an ordinance needed to be carefully crafted to fairly and practically accomplish its' intended result. At year's end, this was still a work in progress.

There were changes in the composition of the commission this year. John Taylor set the standard for due diligence in the performance of the duties of a conservation commissioner for six years and his departure is a loss for the town. John will surely continue to put lots of that energy into our local trail system. Another silver lining was the appointment of Eric Brann to fill the vacancy. Some of you know Eric as one of the parents who pitched in and helped their kids make improvements to the ball field in front of the elementary school. Eric has a calm, well reasoned, and assured manner - excellent qualities in a NH State Trooper and a in a conservation commissioner.

Our meeting minutes are now being posted on the town's website at www.plainfieldnh.org.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Grobe, Chairman
Conservation Commission



Conservation Commission Chairman David Grobe and Upper Valley Land Trust Stewardship Manager Jay Waldner Monitoring the Benson Forest property

RECREATION COMMISSION

This past year was both saddened and challenging with the loss of our Recreation Director, Mr. George T. Prescott. George established the Plainfield Recreation Program about 20 years ago and has been a very dedicated and respected individual in the community. His main objective was to have a program that the youth in the community could participate in, learn from, and enjoy. I believe he did just that. He has been a great friend and mentor. He has been and will continue to be greatly missed. In his memory, this commission is looking forward to continuing what George started some many years ago. We look forward to your input as we move on.

We, the commission, are currently meeting on a monthly basis and we now have a web site available with sign-up forms, schedules, directions, meeting minutes, and general information, as well as a link to contact us. We hope this will help with communication in the future. The web site is www.plainfieldnh.org/recomm/recomm.html.

Our baseball and softball program had a very rough season. With the rainy weather, many games and practices were cancelled. Although we cannot control the weather, the commission is currently in discussions and the planning stages for this coming season so that the weather will have the least possible impact.

The annual fishing derby was held in early June and the rain continued. Although the weather was poor, the participation was still very good. We had about 90 participants and all had good luck as the fish were biting well. The grill was going and food and drinks were available to all.

T-ball had 35 participants for grades 1 and 2 and an additional 22 for a kindergarten group. They worked on basic skills and grades 1 and 2 played games with each of the other teams.

We had 23 kids sign up for our tennis program with several skill levels. Our very important swimming program was well attended and enjoyed by 58 children ranging from beginners to experienced swimmers.

We had a very big participation in soccer with 29 3rd and 4th grade boys making up three teams and 25 3rd and 4th grade girls making up two teams. They played in town as well as some other area recreation teams. We had an additional 45 1st and 2nd graders that made up four teams that worked on basic skills and played each other. We had 22 kindergarteners that worked on basic skills. That was a total of 124 soccer kids. All received a ball to use at practice and to keep so they could practice at home.

Basketball is currently running with 20 1st and 2nd graders working on basic skills. We have an additional 23 3rd and 4th graders working on skills and will play six games through the season with some area teams. They will finish off playing three games in the Claremont tournament at the end of the season.

We would like to thank Plainfield School and Kimball Union Academy for the use of their facilities. Also thank you to the Meriden Deli, Meriden Garage, Hy-On-A-Hill Trout Farm, and Keene Medical for their donations. We would also like to thank the town of Plainfield and the select board for all of your support through the year. A huge thank you to all of the coaches, officials, and various individuals who have donated their time and helped make this program successful. Without all of your help and support we would not be able to run this program.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel P. Cantlin
Recreation Director



Jessica Hastings, Sam Lappin and Leila Krein show off their trophies from the annual fishing derby.

Photo: Stephen Halleran

MERIDEN LIBRARY TRUSTEES REPORT

This past year was one of great change at the Meriden Library. With the passing of Betty Ann Dole who made the library run for 25 years, we are now caught up in all of the many small things that she took care of without our notice.

One thing that we must do is thank the many volunteers who helped keep the library running this spring and summer. The library would not have been open without their help. Annamay Chapman, Pam Abrahamson, Judy Hallam and so many more who gave of their very valuable time of which we had a great need. Again, thank you all.

We were able to do some fun and good things this year. In January we had a Soup & Bread fundraiser which the Meriden Library Association is going to repeat in February 2007. We would like this to become a yearly event with good food and good company. Thanks to Pam Abrahamson who just stepped down after eight years as president of the association. We also had the return of the town-wide yard sale- even though the weather was wet and cold; with the yard sale we had our spring book sale which would not have happened without Henry Beck, our new association president.

The best news of the year came in August when Sheila Thomason became the new librarian. We are very happy to have Sheila and she is doing a great job. If you have not been able to visit the library recently, please stop in and meet Sheila. She and her family live on Route 120. When she accepted the job we did not know we were acquiring an entire family of librarians. Her children have become a great part of the library too. Sheila has some wonderful ideas for reading groups and book clubs- if you are interested stop by or call the library. This year our big project will be to begin the process of computerizing our card catalog.

As always, we want the library to be resources for the entire community so if you have questions, requests or comments, come in-- we are here to help.

Thank you again to all those who helped us make it through this year of change.

Respectfully Submitted, Joe Crate, Betsy Beck and Rachel Stoddard, Trustees, Meriden Library



Photo Credit: Michelle Marsh

MERIDEN LIBRARY BUDGET

	BUDGET 2006	ACTUAL 2006	PROPOSED 2007
On Hand - Jan 1, 2006			
Checking Account	747.92	747.92	916.05
Encumbered Funds	7,415.96	7,415.96	13,756.31
Petty Cash	<u>8.70</u>	<u>8.70</u>	<u>53.58</u>
SUBTOTAL	8,172.58	8,172.58	14,725.94
Income			
Town Appropriation	30,596.00	31,166.42	30,581.00
Town Appropriation - FICA	1,467.00	896.58	1,454.00
Trust Funds	940.00	945.96	970.00
Gifts - Memorial	0.00	3,895.00	0.00
Gifts - Miscellaneous	600.00	535.00	500.00
Book Fines	100.00	68.98	100.00
Book Sales	150.00	399.11	150.00
Interest	40.00	135.48	100.00
Building Fund	0.00	10.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	<u>0.00</u>	<u>576.60</u>	<u>0.00</u>
INCOME	<u>33,893.00</u>	<u>38,629.13</u>	<u>33,855.00</u>
TOTAL	42,065.58	46,801.71	48,580.94
Expenses			
Salaries	19,176.00	15,558.82	19,001.00
FICA	1,467.00	896.58	1,454.00
Library Materials	6,500.00	5,638.58	6,500.00
Telephone	600.00	580.10	600.00
Electricity	600.00	661.94	600.00
Fuel	2,750.00	1,498.20	2,500.00
Water	500.00	380.00	500.00
Supplies	700.00	766.28	700.00
Postage	600.00	293.82	600.00
Professional Activities	100.00	75.00	500.00
Programming	200.00	7.00	200.00
Maintenance	700.00	700.99	700.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	1,158.46	0.00
Transfers to Petty Cash	0.00	50.00	0.00
Transfers to Building Fund	<u>0.00</u>	<u>3,860.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
EXPENSES	33,893.00	32,125.77	33,855.00
Cash on Hand - Dec 31, 2006			
Checking Account		916.05	
Encumbered Funds		13,756.31	
Petty Cash		<u>53.58</u>	
TOTAL	33,893.00	46,851.71	33,855.00
Building Fund Balance		56,984.75	
Encumbered Funds - Savings			
Memorial Fund		1,158.03	
MacNamara Fund		345.00	
Sick Pay Account		325.00	
Computer Fund		1,600.00	
Reference Material Replacement		3,987.93	
Book Fund		1,340.35	
Library Automation		5,000.00	

PHILIP READ MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Trustees Report

As always, thank you for all your support in various ways to the Philip Read Memorial Library. The library is a thriving community center with circulation increasing again this year, more meetings occurring during the year, and many patrons and visitors browsing through the library. In response to several queries and in keeping with our long-range goals, we are planning to open the library for an additional two hours every Wednesday (5:00-7:00 PM), start date to be determined.

Story time for the younger children continues to be a very important part of the life of the library. Diane Rogers shares her storytelling gifts every month on the third Wednesday at 3:30 PM. Former Plainfield residents author Linda Michelin and her husband, illustrator D.B. Johnson, visited in November to read Linda's new book "ZuZu's Wishing Cake." Don drew one of his illustrations from the book for the over 50 children attending. Don is well-known for his "Henry" series. Autographed books are available at the library.

The summer reading program "Treasure Reading" had 58 children participating and the books read totaled 603. The summer program was complemented with a Pirate Story Hour led by Diane Rogers; a craft program led by Trustee Jen Frederick and a "Treasure Show & Tell" led by Diane McDonald. The Sea Shanty songs and games led by Heidi Jaarsma and her accordion, and a treasure hunt designed by Teagan Atwater added the finishing touches to the summer program.

We were awarded a grant of \$1,400 worth of children's books from the Children's Literacy Foundation. Eighty (80) children and parents attended the presentation and storytelling by Foundation Director Duncan McDougall.

The book discussions this past year were a series on "The Chronicles of Narnia" led by Suellen Leugers and two programs on "Humor Here and There" sponsored by the library and a grant from the New Hampshire Humanities Council and led by humanities' scholars.

The cleanup of Rte. 12A through the Adopt-A-Highway Program was managed again by a group of dedicated volunteers. For the July 4 parade, our float "Dr. Seuss Country" took fourth prize. Our library director, Nancy Norwalk, attended the Public Library Association National Convention held in Boston this year. It was a wonderful opportunity and very beneficial. She also attended the Librarians of the Upper Valley meetings and the fall CLiF Conference. As in past years, Trustees Beth Williams and Anita Brown attended the annual NH Library Trustees Association meeting.

The Friends of the Library sponsored a variety show with 40 performers sharing their talents to the appreciative crowd. The library took part in the Meriden Library's town-wide yard sale, as well as collected used books at the town-sponsored Father's Day Recycle Day. We held an Open House during National Library Week in April and the library was open for tours during the Plainfield School reunion in June. John Taylor presented a program on "Upper Valley Trails and Campsites."

The Plainfield Water District, the Town Finance Advisory Committee, as well as other town groups use our meeting spaces. The new Brownie troop is meeting regularly at the library. The Ladies Group meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM for coffee and conversation. Everyone is welcome.

Our main fundraising events were our Annual Book and Bake Sale; the Maxfield Parrish Vintage Print Sale (jointly with the Stage Set Committee); and the Quechee Polo Team game. Another benefit for the library was a dance. Diane Sangermano and Richard Caruso led afternoon dance workshops followed by an evening dance with DJ John Tomeny. We had gift baskets filled with goodies generously donated by a library patron and raffled off during the course of the year.

Circulation (items loaned out) increased again this year--14,277 items being checked out; an increase of 4.6% over last year. Patron visits increased by 12.5%. Computer use by

patrons has doubled over last year. The additional hours on Monday have been very popular. We are always looking for ideas for items to be displayed in our exhibit case each month. If you have ideas or any collections, please contact Nancy Norwalk.

The trustees and library director are very thankful for all the help given to make the library so vibrant. Thank you to the many residents who donated books, tapes, videos and magazines, as well as other needed items. Donations of books are always welcome.

Our usual volunteers put in 48 hours each month, some of that time in the library and some at home doing tasks, such as typing catalog cards. We rely heavily on our volunteers; and, in fact, continue to look for more volunteers. The Friends of the Library are always willing to assist us and new members are welcome.

Finishing the basement level is our next priority with plans to have the downstairs operational within the next two years. What an added bonus that will be when complete. Contributions are welcome to the general building fund as well as to "The Alice P. Hendrick Memorial Children's Room."

As we have stated in the past and continue to believe, the foundation of our success is twofold—the tremendous effort put in by our many volunteers and the solid support of community members. For these, we are truly grateful and say thank you on behalf of the library.

Submitted by,

Anita K. Brown, Jennifer Frederick, Beth Williams. Plainfield Library Trustees



Director Duncan McDougall reading to children some of the books awarded to the Plainfield Library through a Children's Literacy Foundation grant.

Photo credit: Nancy Norwalk

PHILIP READ MEMORIAL LIBRARY BUDGET 2007

	Budget	Actual	Proposed
	2006	2006	2007
Encumbered Purchases	0.00	0.00	694.00
Checking Account	87.00	87.00	450.00
Subtotal	87.00	87.00	1,144.00
Town appropriation	46,412.00	46,412.00	49,537.00
Trust fund income	2,750.00	2,700.00	2,800.00
Fines and damaged books	400.00	929.00	500.00
Gifts	100.00	170.00	100.00
Books sales	725.00	738.00	725.00
Grants	0.00	1,909.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	234.00	0.00
Income	50,386.00	53,092.00	53,662.00
Total	50,474.00	53,179.00	54,806.00
Salaries	24,604.00	24,080.00	27,532.00
Payroll Liabilities	1,882.00	1,842.00	2,106.00
Library materials	7,025.00	7,529.00	7,235.00
Audio-visual materials	1,225.00	881.00	1,265.00
Supplies	1,500.00	1,806.00	1,500.00
Postage	250.00	219.00	250.00
Computer tech./out services	600.00	562.00	600.00
Professional activities	1,300.00	1,481.00	885.00
Programs (includes grant exp.)	150.00	500.00	400.00
Electricity	2,500.00	2,679.00	2,895.00
Telephone	1,080.00	1,072.00	1,080.00
Fuel	4,000.00	3,731.00	4,000.00
Water	325.00	290.00	290.00
Maintenance	1,800.00	1,520.00	2,300.00
Elevator	829.00	1,299.00	900.00
Miscellaneous	150.00	2.00	300.00
Furnishings (includes grant exp.)	300.00	1,642.00	500.00
Encyclopedia	885.00	829.00	0.00
Transfer to sick pay	68.00	71.00	74.00
Encumbered purchases	0.00	0.00	694.00
Expenses	50,473.00	52,035.00	54,806.00
Checking account Dec. 31, 2006		1,144.00	
Total		53,179.00	54,806.00
Balance in Sick Pay Account Dec. 31, 2005		583.36	
Balance in Sick Pay Account Dec. 31, 2006		657.36	

REPORT OF THE PLAINFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT 2006

The police department saw a slight increase for calls for service as well as a slight increase in criminal investigations this year. Some of the calls for service and some of the criminal investigations were complex and time consuming. I would like to express my appreciation to Sgt. Dore & Cpl. Roberts for the long hours and dedication they put into these cases. I would also like to thank the citizens of Plainfield, Cornish Rescue, Plainfield & Meriden Fire Departments and the Plainfield Highway Department for all of the assistance you have given the police department this year.

Respectfully,
Gordon A. Gillens
Police Chief

POLICE DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATIONS

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE:		1,342		
Driving while intoxicated	01	Alarms	72	
Assault	04	Animals	20	
Sexual assault	00	Medical emergency	42	
Firing of weapons	21	Fire calls	28	
Theft	27	Motor vehicle	87	
Fraud	05	Admin. Relays	03	
Domestic violence	02	Suspicious persons	87	
Liquor Laws	05	Trespassing	05	
Bad checks	06	Missing person	04	
Possession stolen property	01	Public hazards	40	
Drugs	08	Motorist assist	59	
Disorderly conduct	35	Civil	43	
Criminal mischief	17	Open doors	39	
Auto theft	01	House checks	72	
Criminal threats	07	Assist other PD'S	106	
Arson	01	Accidents with injury	21	
Burglary	03	Accidents no injury	62	
Intoxication	03	E 911 calls	23	
Other crimes	47	Unattended deaths	04	
TOTAL CRIMES:	194	Other complaints	215	
		Juvenile complaints	16	
Arrest / clearance	142			
Defective equipment tags	67			
Motor vehicle summons	64			
Motor vehicle warnings	232			
Total other activities	505	Total complaints	1,148	

MERIDEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Meriden Volunteer Fire Department responded to 91 calls for help this year. The increase is due in part to an agreement between Plainfield and Meriden Fire to assist each other with first responses, as we are both shorthanded.

Alarm Investigations

Motor Vehicle Accidents	7	Downed Power Lines	10
Propane Smells	3	Illegal Burns	1
Unattended Burns	1	Medical Aid	1
Smoke Investigations	2	Alarms, KUA	15
Alarms Singing Hills	3	Alarms, Plainfield School	5
Alarms Private	4	Hazardous Materials	1
Carbon Dioxide	1	Tree Fire	1
Odor Investigations	1		

Mutual Aid Given

Plainfield	25	Cornish	4
Enfield	1	Lebanon	3

Mutual Aid Received

Cornish	7	Plainfield	7
Cornish Rescue	8	Lebanon	2

Please remember that your help is also needed to keep the department's work force strong. If this does not happen, in years to come we may be forced to resort to a full-time paid department. We do not want this as it would add greatly to our tax bills. Please, step up to the plate: help your fire department to be strong for the benefit of the town, your friends, and family.

In order to keep all firefighters trained on the equipment that we have, we hold training sessions twice a month on Mondays.

The department received new portable radios this year that were paid for by the state as the result of a federal grant.

This year's fund raiser was a success. Thanks to all of the friends and families of the Meriden Volunteer Department that helped out.

Lastly, I thank the firefighters and their families for their strong support this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
David R. Best, Chief

MERIDEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT PROPOSED BUDGET

RECEIPTS				PROPOSED
	2006			2007
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET
TOWN APPROPRIATION	\$ 37,000	\$ 36,700	\$ (300)	\$ 37,000
<u>OTHER SOURCES</u>				
FLEA MARKET / YARD SALE	-	-	-	-
CORNISH FAIR TICKETS	2,700	2,642	(58)	2,700
SPRING DINNER - 2006	3,000	3,498	498	-
SPRING DINNER - 2007	-	(240)	(240)	3,000
DONATIONS	1,500	3,768	2,268	1,500
CHECKING ACCOUNT INTEREST	-	-	-	-
HAZMAT CLEANUP PAYMENTS	-	-	-	-
FOREST FIRE PAYMENTS	100	-	(100)	100
MISC	-	150	150	-
SUBTOTAL	7,300	9,818	2,518	7,300
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 44,300	\$ 46,518	\$ 2,218	\$ 44,300

DISBURSEMENTS				PROPOSED
	2006			2007
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE	BUDGET
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES</u>				
TELEPHONE	\$ 1,000	\$ 907	\$ 93	\$ 1,000
ELECTRICITY	700	666	34	700
SEWER	240	240	-	240
HEATING OIL	1,500	1,320	180	1,500
INSURANCE	7,500	7,192	308	7,500
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	11,600	9,015	2,585	10,450
COMPUTER EXPENSES	350	179	171	350
OFFICE SUPPLIES + PUBLICATIONS	400	515	(115)	450
GAS, DIESEL	1,200	866	334	1,200
DUES / PERMITS / FEES	375	395	(20)	400
TRAINING	500	70	430	2,500
FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT	8,525	6,408	2,117	7,320
STATION MAINTENANCE	3,000	3,618	(618)	3,000
UNIFORMS	-	4,212	(4,212)	1,000
VACCINATIONS/PHYSICALS	300	-	300	200
NON-PROFIT APPLICATION FEE	-	775	(775)	-
SMALL TOOLS AND TOOLBOX (2006 Funds)	-	-	-	1,000
HAZMAT ASSOCIATION	1,000	1,000	-	1,000
MISC	500	254	246	500
SUBTOTAL	38,690	37,632	1,058	40,310
TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVE	5,610	7,886	(2,276)	4,990
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 44,300	\$ 45,518	\$ (1,218)	\$ 45,300

MERIDEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT SUMMARY

	2006 <u>ACTUAL</u>	2007 <u>BUDGET</u>
OPERATING ACCOUNT SUMMARY		
BEGIN AVAILABLE CASH BALANCE	\$ 4,500	\$ 5,500
TOTAL RECEIPTS	46,518	44,300
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<u>45,518</u>	<u>45,300</u>
NET CHANGE	<u>1,000</u>	<u>(1,000)</u>
ENDING AVAILABLE CASH BALANCE	<u><u>\$ 5,500</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,500</u></u>

CAPITAL RESERVE SUMMARY

	2006 <u>ACTUAL</u>	2007 <u>BUDGET</u>
BEGIN BALANCE	\$ 133,646	\$ 146,479
INCREASE RESERVE	7,886	4,990
INTEREST / EARNINGS	4,947	5,500
Plymovent Grant	24,972	-
Plymovent System	<u>(24,972)</u>	<u>-</u>
ENDING BALANCE	<u><u>\$ 146,479</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 156,969</u></u>

PLAINFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT 2006 REPORT

The past year was a very busy one for us on the PVFD. We had sixty-three calls in 2006, the previous high was forty six in 2005, up from thirty nine in 2004 and thirty in 2003. As you can see there is an upward trend.

Auto Accidents: 9 (2 fatal)	Alarm Activations: 5
Structural Fires: 2 (1 suspected arson)	Chemical Spills: 1
Car fires: 1	Brush Fires/Illegal Burns: 3
Investigations: 9	Assist Other Agencies: 2
Power lines/trees down: 15	

Mutual aid given: Meriden 10, Cornish 4, Lebanon 1, Hartford 1.

We were very lucky this year and received some assistance from the Department of Homeland Security in the form of radios. We received two mobile radios for the Chiefs and Deputy Chiefs vehicles as they are often the first ones on the scene. We also received eleven portable radios as part of the DHS's plan to put a radio in the hands of every emergency responder in the country as a result of communications problems during the 9/11 attack. In April we applied for a Fire Acts Grant through FEMA for \$59,500.00 for eleven self contained apparatus (air packs). The ones we had we no longer serviced by the manufacturer and we apt to fail at any given time. Part of the grant was for five sets of turnout gear to replace worn sets that no longer met the NFPA or OSHA regulations. We were awarded \$56,525.00 and we had to do a \$2,750.00 dollar match. We also received a Title 4 grant for a forest fire mop up kit that will pay for 50% of the cost.

PVFD like a lot of volunteer fire departments has a shortage of firefighters especially during the day time. We had two new members join and one person return to the department this year. The new members are Breck Taber and Eric Pearse, the returning member is Dave Hollinger. There are only three people who can respond during the day time and only one of them works in town. For that reason I have asked to have Meriden respond to all calls in Plainfield from 6:00am until 6:00 pm during the week. It takes volunteers to keep the department running and your taxes down.

Starting this past year we have been putting on dinners and some breakfasts for the public. We hope to do dinners on a regular basis. Please check the bulletin boards around town and the sign in front of the station for times and dates. It is a good time to meet old friends and make new ones as well as get a good meal. We also had our annual barbque on the 4th of July. All money raised goes to meeting the fire departments expenses.

Again this year we did our annual visit to the Plainfield Elementary School for Fire Prevention Week. We spend time with the kindergarten class talking fire safety and passing out a "goodie" bag of fun fire safety stuff for the children to take home and share with their families. We were also on Rte 12A again this year for Halloween with candy for the kids and coffee and cider for the adults. We always have a great time and look forward to these two events.

Just a couple of reminders if you are planning on burning any brush and the ground is not covered with snow you need to get a burning permit from one of the Fire Wardens in town. If you are installing a new furnace whether in a new house or replacing an existing one, they need to be inspected by the fire department.

Respectfully submitted
Frank H. Currier, Chief

PLAINFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
Frank Currier Chief, Dennis Bundy President

Expense	Actual2006	Estimated 2006	Estimated 2007
New Equipment	\$3,855.69	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Equipment Repairs	\$220.03	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
Supplies	\$457.27	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Electricity	\$1,078.57	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00
Telephone	\$684.72	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Heat	\$4,298.44	\$2,900.00	\$4,500.00
Diesel Fuel	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Water	\$371.96	\$450.00	\$450.00
Insurance	\$7,109.00	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00
Training	\$83.22	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Radio& Repair	\$742.17	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Accounting Fees	\$200.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Building	\$27,603.34	\$29,334.00	\$30,000.00
Dues	\$1,317.00		\$1,500.00
Totals	\$48,149.45	\$53,384.00	\$56,650.00
Receipts			
Town Training	\$83.22		
Fund Raising	\$2,031.76		
Town Appropriation	\$39,500.00		
Donations	\$1,531.00		
Association Sale	\$11,800.00		
Totals	\$54,945.00		



REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local forest fire warden, fire department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local forest fire warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before ANY outside burning. A fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire’s forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forest & Lands at (603) 271-2217, or online at www.nhdfl.org.

Fire activity was very high during the first several weeks of the 2006 fire season, with red-flag conditions issued by the National Weather Service and extreme fire danger in many sections of the state. The largest forest fire during this period occurred in late April and burned 98 acres. The extremely dry conditions in spring resulted in twice the amount of acreage burned than in all of 2005. Our statewide system of fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Fires in the wildland urban interface damaged 6 structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org . Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state’s Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe.

NH FIRE STATISTICS

<u>CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED-2006</u>			<u>TOTAL FIRES</u>	<u>TOTAL ACRES</u>
Arson	15	2006	500	473
Campfire	24	2005	546	174
Children	13	2004	482	147
Smoking	50	2003	374	100
Debris	284			
Railroad	3			
Equipment	4			
Lightning	1			
Misc*	106 (*Misc: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)			

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

REPORT OF THE CORNISH RESCUE SQUAD

This year has been one of the most difficult for us in the squad's 32 year history. A series of fatal incidents spread throughout the year, including one involving our own boat, have reminded us that we are involved in work that can be dangerous and emotionally draining.

Call volume for 2006 about the same as 2005, though this year we went through several periods of high call volume, followed by long stretches with very few calls. Our call volume continues to be split fairly evenly between house calls and accidents, with fewer auto accidents than in past years, but more accidents of other kinds. We continue to work well with our ambulance services, provided by the Windsor and Lebanon Fire Departments and Golden Cross ambulance, as well as with the Plainfield, Meriden and Cornish Fire Departments and those of neighboring towns.

The financial support we receive annually from the towns of Plainfield and Cornish continues to cover the cost of operations and dispatching. With the other members of the Mount Ascutney Fire Repeater Association, we were able to add another radio tower in Claremont to help cover radio dead spots.

This year as every year, the generous response to our fund drive letter has allowed us to update important equipment. This year we plan to add cardiac monitors, as well as special equipment mandated by the State of New Hampshire to meet new training standards.

My fourth year as President has been a very satisfying one for me. We received an enormous amount of support during a very difficult time for us from both towns, especially from town officials. Once again it has been a special pleasure for me to work with the officers and Trustees – Vice President Deb Foltyn, Treasurer Fred Schad, Secretary Paul Merchant and Trustees Jeff Katchen, Steve Jameson and Dale O' Connor.

The shift by all agencies to 911 dispatching over the last few years has not always made our jobs easier. While it is now easier to find the general neighborhood of a call, finding the actual house is sometimes still a problem. Making street numbers visible from the road in both directions, and placing them where they will not be obscured by snow, goes a long way to helping us and other agencies find you when you call for help.

If you have special health concerns at your house, please contact us at 675-2221. We will review your needs and develop a plan with you.

Sincerely.

Rob Drye, President

**TOWN OF PLAINFIELD
BALANCE SHEET
December 31st, 2006**

ASSETS:

CASH:

CHECKING ACCOUNT \$48,500

INVESTMENTS \$2,106,805

PETTY CASH \$250

TOTAL CASH \$2,155,555

PROPERTY TAX \$335,276

RECEIVABLE

TAX LIEN RECEIVABLE \$115,696

TOTAL TAXES \$450,972

RECEIVABLE

DUE FROM SOLID WASTE \$15,068

CHARGES

DUE FROM PLAINFIELD \$20,400

SCHOOL

TOTAL OTHER \$35,468

RECEIVABLES

TOTAL ASSETS: \$2,642,995

LIABILITIES:

DUE OTHER FUNDS \$43,695

DUE CONSERVATION 19,250

OVERPAYMENTS \$185

KUA LANDSCAPE BND \$9,287

PAYABLES:

SCHOOL \$2,069,497

INVOICES \$21,625

ACCRUED PAYROLL \$10,245

STATE OF NH \$562

PAYROLL BENEFITS \$28

TOTAL LIABILITIES \$2,155,124

FUND BALANCE \$487,871

GRANT TOTAL \$2,642,995

RESERVED FOR \$12,828

CONTINGENCY

RESERVED FOR \$1076

ENCUMBRANCES

UNCOLLECTIBLE TAX \$20,000

UNRESERVED FUND \$433,717

BALANCE

UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE -12/31/05 \$405,372

UNRESERVED FUND BALANCE -12/31/06 \$433,717

FINANCIAL CHANGE \$28,345

SELECTMEN'S REPORT ON RESERVE FUND TRANSACTIONS

The selectmen are named agents to expend for five reserve funds:

The Library Building Repair Fund created in 1992.

The Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 1994.

Town Hall Repair Fund created in 1996.

Town Revaluation Fund created in 1993.

Town Building ADA Access Fund created in 2003.

Deposits and withdrawals to these funds during 2006 were:

Library Repair Fund

Deposits-	\$2,500	
Town meeting appropriation.		
Withdrawals-		\$4,014
ML	Electrical work	\$2,565
ML	Landscaping	\$ 87
PL	Furnace Work	\$1,362

Town Bridge Fund

Deposits-	\$5,000	
Town meeting appropriation.		
Withdrawals-	none	

Town Hall Repair Fund

Deposits-	\$10,000	
Town meeting appropriation.		
Withdrawals-		\$8,192
MTH-painting		\$2,730
MTH-Emergency lights		\$ 186
PTH-shed roof replacement		\$2,700
PTH-Floor refinishing		\$ 895
PTH-slate roof repairs		\$ 675
PTH-Ceiling repair		\$ 800
PTH-Knox box		\$ 206

Revaluation Fund

Deposits-	\$5,000	
Town meeting appropriation.		
Withdrawals-	\$ 0	

ADA Compliance

Deposits-	\$ 0	
Withdrawals-	\$ 0	

See report of the Trustee of Trust Funds for complete details on year for beginning and year ending balances for each of these funds.

**TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, N. H.
REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND - 2006**

NAME OF TRUST FUND	Principle Balance Begin Year	New Funds Created	Gains or Losses From Sale	Principle Balance Year End	Income Balance Begin Year	Income Earned During Year	Income Expended During Year	Income Balance Year End
CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS								
Daniels Cemetery	\$7,718.66			\$7,718.66	\$710.05	\$359.34	\$375.00	\$694.39
East Plainfield Cemetery	\$3,666.36			\$3,666.36	\$50.01	\$158.38	\$144.37	\$64.02
Freeman Cemetery	\$2,701.53			\$2,701.53	\$36.84	\$116.70	\$106.34	\$47.20
Gilkey Cemetery	\$385.94			\$385.94	\$5.25	\$16.67	\$15.15	\$6.77
Gleason Cemetery	\$26,205.55			\$26,205.55	\$357.41	\$1,132.04	\$1,031.72	\$457.73
Methodist Hill Cemetery	\$385.94			\$385.94	\$5.25	\$16.67	\$15.15	\$6.77
Mill Cemetery	\$15,485.50			\$15,485.50	\$211.19	\$668.95	\$609.65	\$270.49
Moulton Cemetery	\$7,788.58			\$7,788.58	\$107.58	\$336.51	\$310.55	\$133.54
Penniman Cemetery	\$1,157.80			\$1,157.80	\$15.82	\$50.02	\$45.66	\$20.18
Plainfield Cemetery	\$56,479.85			\$56,479.85	\$774.36	\$2,440.01	\$2,235.31	\$979.06
Raynsford Cemetery	\$1,543.75			\$1,543.75	\$21.06	\$66.69	\$60.79	\$26.96
River Cemetery	\$1,157.80			\$1,157.80	\$15.78	\$50.01	\$45.54	\$20.25
Westgate-Peterson Cemetery	\$964.84			\$964.84	\$13.14	\$41.68	\$37.92	\$16.90
Town Cemeteries	\$3,859.33			\$3,859.33	\$57.80	\$171.94	\$171.85	\$57.88
TOTALS	\$129,501.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$129,501.43	\$2,381.54	\$5,625.61	\$5,205.00	\$2,802.14

LIBRARY TRUST FUND								
Menden Library	\$24,892.72			\$24,892.72	\$418.46	\$1,078.71	\$940.00	\$557.17
Philip Read Memorial Library	\$71,653.04			\$71,653.04	\$1,203.06	\$3,104.97	\$2,700.00	\$1,608.03
TOTALS	\$96,545.76	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$96,545.76	\$1,621.52	\$4,183.68	\$3,640.00	\$2,165.20

MISCELLANEOUS TRUST FUNDS								
Ward Christmas Fund	\$3,859.33			\$3,859.33	\$146.32	\$170.73	\$144.00	\$173.05
Ward Worthy Poor Fund	\$5,788.99			\$5,788.99	9,269.02	\$643.95		\$9,912.97
Ward Essay Prize Fund	\$3,859.33			\$3,859.33	973.08	\$206.17	\$200.00	\$979.25
Elijah Burnap Poor Fund	\$10,615.49			\$10,615.49	14,816.11	\$1,087.36	\$814.53	\$15,088.94
Earl Mower Fund	\$1,592.00			\$1,592.00	0.00	\$67.84	\$67.84	\$0.00
Duncan Plano Fund	\$1,157.80			\$1,157.80	1,498.54	\$113.56	\$223.00	\$1,389.10
Vernon Hood Fund	\$385.94			\$385.94	96.77	\$20.59		\$117.36
Bill Hendrick Vision Fund	\$1,731.30			\$1,731.30	1,096.40	\$120.77	\$149.00	\$1,068.17
Mother's & Daughter's Fund	\$2,161.23			\$2,161.23	81.77	\$95.60	\$81.77	\$95.60
Beulah Pickering Fund	\$18,264.94			\$18,264.94	19,198.14	\$1,601.14		\$20,799.28
Ruth F Koe Brady Camp Fund	\$987.78			\$987.78	276.33	\$53.94		\$330.27
Stage Set Fund	\$8,635.00			\$8,635.00	962.38	\$411.33		\$1,373.71
Mencrafters Fund	\$500.00			\$500.00	72.49	\$24.54		\$97.03
TOTALS	\$59,539.13	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$59,539.13	\$48,487.35	\$4,617.52	\$1,680.14	\$51,424.73
TOTAL: ALL TRUST FUNDS	\$285,586.32	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$285,586.32	\$52,490.40	\$14,426.81	\$10,525.14	\$56,392.06

INTEREST

PRINCIPLE

Capital Reserve/Expenditure Funds

	Principle Balance Year End	New Funds Added	Funds Expended	Principle Balance Year End	Income Balance Begin Year	Income Earned During Year	Income Expended During Year	Income Balance Year End
Revaluation Fund	\$34,000.00	\$5,000.00		\$39,000.00	\$2,591.47	\$1,844.87		\$4,436.34
Town Hall Fund	\$5,200.00	\$10,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$7,200.00	\$149.61	\$458.07	\$191.63	\$416.05
Bridge Reserve Fund	\$64,000.00	\$5,000.00		\$69,000.00	\$9,682.04	\$3,342.00		\$13,024.04
Meriden Water Reserve Fund	\$92,000.00		\$17,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$5,407.62	\$4,193.29	\$8,010.00	\$1,590.91
School Building Fund	\$74,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$34,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$3,325.69	\$3,663.88	\$6,000.00	\$989.57
New Equipment Fund	\$103,000.00	\$45,000.00		\$148,000.00	\$3,205.36	\$5,749.36		\$8,954.72
Library Repair Fund	\$12,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$835.45	\$680.92	\$1,013.66	\$502.71
Meriden Sewer Reserve Fund	\$40,000.00		\$8,000.00	\$32,000.00	\$1,232.70	\$1,757.33	\$2,000.00	\$990.03
Plainfield History Fund	\$10,000.00			\$10,000.00	\$1,028.68	\$523.38		\$1,552.06
Cemetery Care	\$42,350.00			\$42,350.00	\$974.30	\$1,924.25		\$2,898.55
School Spec Ed Fund	\$118,000.00			\$118,000.00	\$4,135.54	\$5,795.35		\$9,930.89
Transportation Imprvmnt Fund	\$0.00	\$50,000.00		\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,083.28		\$1,083.28
TOTAL: ALL CAP RES FUNDS	\$595,050.00	\$137,500.00	\$70,000.00	\$662,550.00	\$32,568.46	\$31,015.98	\$17,215.29	\$46,369.15



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Plainfield
Plainfield, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Town of Plainfield as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006 as shown on pages 2 through 6. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Plainfield's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

Management has not implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*. Therefore these financial statements are presented following the principles that were in effect prior to GASB Statement No. 34. Management has not presented government-wide financial statements to display the financial position and changes in financial position of its governmental activities and business-type activities. The financial statements presented do not contain separate statements for governmental, proprietary and fiduciary fund types, nor are major and nonmajor funds separately identified and classified. The financial statements presented report expendable and nonexpendable trust funds, some of which should be reported as special revenue and permanent funds under the new reporting model. The financial statements also present a general long-term debt account group which should not be reported as such, but the information contained therein should be included in the government-wide financial statements were they presented. Also, the financial statements do not contain any information on capital assets because the government has not maintained historical cost records of such assets. Management has not presented a management's discussion and analysis as required. The amounts that would be reported in the missing statements and required supplementary information, and the effects of reclassifying and properly reporting the information presented are not reasonably determined.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matters discussed in the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Town of Plainfield as of December 31, 2006, or the changes in its financial position or its cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Plainfield basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. For reasons stated in the third paragraph of this report, we expressed an opinion that the financial statements of the Town of Plainfield do not fairly present financial position, results of operations, and cash flows in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Therefore, we do not express an opinion on the accompanying combining and individual fund schedules.

Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association

January 17, 2007

EXHIBIT A
TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Combined Balance Sheet
All Fund Types and Account Group
December 31, 2006

	Governmental Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Type	Account Group General Long-Term Debt	Total (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Trust		
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS					
Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,055	\$ 101,384	\$ 4,003	\$ -	\$ 110,442
Investments	2,106,805	82,341	1,093,347	-	3,282,493
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectible:					
Taxes	430,972	17,800	-	-	448,772
Accounts	15,068	-	-	-	15,068
Intergovernmental	20,400	-	-	-	20,400
Interfund receivable	-	19,250	-	-	19,250
Other debits:					
Amount to be provided for retirement of general long-term debt	-	-	-	287,500	287,500
Total assets and other debits	<u>\$ 2,578,300</u>	<u>\$ 220,775</u>	<u>\$ 1,097,350</u>	<u>\$ 287,500</u>	<u>\$ 4,183,925</u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 31,124	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31,124
Accrued payroll and benefits	10,245	-	-	-	10,245
Intergovernmental payable	2,070,060	-	298,501	-	2,368,561
Interfund payable	19,250	-	-	-	19,250
Deferred revenue	-	19,250	-	-	19,250
General obligation note payable	-	-	-	287,500	287,500
Total liabilities	<u>2,130,679</u>	<u>19,250</u>	<u>298,501</u>	<u>287,500</u>	<u>2,735,930</u>
Equity:					
Fund balances:					
Reserved for encumbrances	1,076	-	-	-	1,076
Reserved for endowments	-	-	332,039	-	332,039
Reserved for special purposes	-	-	466,810	-	466,810
Unreserved:					
Designated for contingency	12,828	-	-	-	12,828
Designated for special purposes	-	201,525	-	-	201,525
Undesignated	433,717	-	-	-	433,717
Total equity	<u>447,621</u>	<u>201,525</u>	<u>798,849</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,447,995</u>
Total liabilities and equity	<u>\$ 2,578,300</u>	<u>\$ 220,775</u>	<u>\$ 1,097,350</u>	<u>\$ 287,500</u>	<u>\$ 4,183,925</u>

SCHEDULE 1
TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
General Fund
Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For The Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2006

	Estimated	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Taxes:			
Property	\$ 829,999	\$ 854,837	\$ 24,838
Timber	25,000	15,275	(9,725)
Excavation	200	84	(116)
Payment in lieu of taxes	1,000	-	(1,000)
Interest and penalties on taxes	15,000	37,211	22,211
Total taxes	871,199	907,407	36,208
Licenses, permits and fees:			
Motor vehicle permit fees	450,000	431,074	(18,926)
Other	7,000	5,040	(1,960)
Total licenses, permist and fees	457,000	436,114	(20,886)
Intergovernmental:			
State:			
Shared revenue	118,711	118,711	-
Highway block grant	105,213	105,213	-
State and federal forest land reimbursement	162	162	-
Other	-	275	275
Total governmental	224,086	224,361	275
Charges for services:			
Income from departments	43,000	52,028	9,028
Refuse charges	132,000	124,465	(7,535)
Total charges for services	175,000	176,493	1,493
Miscellaneous:			
Sale of municipal property	2,000	3,413	1,413
Interest on investments	35,000	50,027	15,027
Rent of property	-	290	290
Insurance dividends and reimbursements	2,000	2,213	213
Other	14,505	17,265	2,760
Total miscellaneous	53,505	73,208	19,703
Other financing sources:			
Transfers in	6,000	5,200	(800)
Total revenues and other financing sources	\$ 1,786,790	\$ 1,822,783	\$ 35,993

SCHEDULE 2
TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For The Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2006

	Encumbered From			Encumbered to Subsequent	Variance Positive
	Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures	Year	(Negative)
Current:					
General government:					
Executive	\$ -	\$ 120,010	\$ 124,427	\$ -	\$ (4,417)
Election and registration	-	7,280	9,018	-	(1,738)
Financial administration	-	50,853	52,489	-	(1,636)
Revaluation of property	-	13,000	12,242	-	758
Legal	-	8,100	11,247	-	(3,147)
Personnel administration	-	11,900	13,846	-	(1,946)
Planning and zoning	-	2,500	2,306	-	194
General government buildings	-	5,950	6,486	-	(536)
Cemeteries	-	26,450	26,305	-	145
Insurance	-	41,700	41,102	-	598
Advertising and regional associations	-	4,100	4,245	-	(145)
Other	-	2,000	2,000	-	-
Total general government	-	293,843	305,713	-	(11,870)
Public safety:					
Police	-	214,080	213,424	1,076	(420)
Ambulance	-	27,100	32,770	-	(5,670)
Fire	-	76,000	76,000	-	-
Building inspection	-	8,800	6,257	-	2,543
Emergency management	-	200	-	-	200
Other	-	18,850	18,325	-	525
Total public safety	-	345,030	346,776	1,076	(2,822)
Highways and streets:					
Highways and streets	-	17,550	19,062	-	(1,512)
Administration	-	506,605	502,492	-	4,113
Street lighting	-	7,000	7,811	-	(811)
Road projects	16,000	105,213	123,658	-	(2,445)
Total highways and streets	16,000	636,368	653,023	-	(655)
Sanitation:					
Solid waste collection	-	130,200	135,001	-	(4,801)
Solid waste disposal	-	88,500	85,763	-	2,737
Recycling	-	2,000	2,472	-	(472)
Total sanitation	-	220,700	223,236	-	(2,536)
Health:					
Administration	-	2,050	151	-	1,899
Animal control	-	400	1,112	-	(712)
Health agencies and hospitals	-	16,014	16,014	-	-
Total health	-	18,464	17,277	-	1,187
Welfare:					
Administration	-	3,500	473	-	3,027
Direct assistance	-	5,500	1,756	-	3,744
Total welfare	-	9,000	2,229	-	6,771
Culture and recreation:					
Parks and recreation	-	15,660	15,679	-	(19)
Patriotic purposes	1,702	2,000	3,319	-	383
Total culture and recreation	1,702	17,660	18,998	-	364

SCHEDULE A-2 (Continued)
TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Appropriations, Expenditures and Encumbrances (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2006

	Encumbered From Prior Year	Appropriations	Expenditures	Encumbered to Subsequent Year	Variance Positive (Negative)
Conservation	-	2,500	2,500	-	-
Debt service:					
Principal of long-term debt	-	25,000	25,000	-	-
Interest on long-term debt	-	12,250	12,249	-	1
Total debt service	-	37,250	37,249	-	1
Capital outlay:					
Police cruise lease	-	10,000	9,802	-	198
Other financing uses:					
Transfers out	-	195,975	195,975	-	-
Total appropriations, expenditures, other financing uses and encumbrances	<u>\$ 17,702</u>	<u>\$ 1,786,790</u>	<u>\$ 1,812,778</u>	<u>\$ 1,076</u>	<u>\$ (9,362)</u>

SCHEDULE 3
TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Statement of Changes in Unreserved - Undesignated Fund Balance (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis)
For The Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2006

Unreserved, undesignated fund balance, beginning	\$ 405,372
Changes:	
2006 Budget summary:	
Revenue surplus (Schedule 1)	\$ 35,993
Overdraft of appropriations (Schedule 2)	<u>(9,362)</u>
2006 Budget surplus	26,631
Decrease in fund balance designated for contingency	<u>1,714</u>
Unreserved, undesignated fund balance, ending	<u>\$ 433,717</u>

SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS

Outstanding Bonds & Loans as of 12/31/06

Philip Read Memorial Library	\$287,500
Total	\$287,500

RECONCILIATION OF LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS

Outstanding long-term debt as of January 1, 2006	\$ 312,500
New debt during the year	\$0
Debt retirement during the year	
Library Addition	\$ 25,000
Outstanding long-term debt as of December 31, 2006	\$ 287,500

HIGHWAY BLOCK GRANT 2006 EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS

2006	Block Grant Appropriation	\$105,213
2005	Encumbered Funds	\$16,000
	Total Available	\$121,213

Willow Brook Road

Engineering FEMA Application	\$4,912
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Methodist Hill Road

Pavement shim	\$28,465
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Westgate Road

Pavement Reclamation	\$7,408
Culverts	\$2,548
Underdrain/stone	\$2,573
Trucking	\$1,200
Paving	\$89,975
Misc	\$639

Total Westgate	\$104,344
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GRAND TOTAL	\$137,721
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Overage to highway operating budget	\$16,508
	\$121,213

FIVE-YEAR ROAD PROJECT PRIORITIES

As required by the passage of article ten at the 1998 Annual Meeting, the following represents the selectmen's road reconstruction priorities for the next five years. Note: order of work and timing is subject to change as new information, time and available funds dictate.

Year	Road	Work
'99	River Rd	phase III-prep completion and base paving. Completed
'00	River Rd	phase IV-topcourse paving, shoulder work. Completed
'01	Jenney Rd	base reconstruction/paving Completed
'02	Daniels Rd	base reconstruction/paving. Completed
'04	Bean Rd	base reconstruction/paving. Completed
'05	Bean Rd/Westgate Culvert/drainage work.	Completed.
'06	Westgate base reconstruction/paving.	Completed.
'07	Beauty Hill Rd/Colby Hill Rd	base reconstruction/paving
'08	Willow Brook Road	base reconstruction/paving.
'09	Willow Brook Road	base reconstruction/paving.
'10	Willow Brook Road	base reconstruction/paving.
'11	Methodist Hill Road	base reconstruction/paving.



Selectboard members consulting with Road Agent Ken Stocker and Assistant Road Agent Richard Collins on the Westgate Road project. Photo Credit: Stephen Halleran

TOWN EMPLOYEES SALARIES

Alden, Joshua M	Patrolman	\$ 378.00
Begin, Peter E	Patrolman	322.00
Belyea, Judith A	Selectman	2280.00
Bulman, Michael J	Truck Driver	27605.75
	Overtime	2676.42
Cantlin, Daniel	Recreation Director	3255.00
Chapman, Annamay	Sub-Librarian	4912.15
Collins III, Richard L	Assistant Road Agent	32805.75
	Overtime	5173.73
Cote, Michelle L.	Swimming Instructor	1024.00
Dearborn, James M	Summer Road Crew	10572.00
Dole, Bettyann	Library Director-East	5991.84
Dore, Lawrence M	Police Sergeant	42072.00
	Overtime	5232.61
Erdei, Mary M.	Library Director-East	1471.68
Evans, Wayne	Tennis Instructor	250.00
Freeland, Barbara	Ballot Clerk	89.25
Gilbert, Roger L.	Truck Driver	9993.69
Gillens, Gordon A	Police Chief	51600.00
Gray, Tony L.	Truck Driver	7711.89
Grindle, Halton T	Welfare Director/Health Officer	581.95
Halleran, Stephen L	Town Administrator	50100.00
Hawkins, Allyson E	Tennis Instructor	1430.00
Hawkins, Amanda	Tennis Assistant	640.05
Hollinger, R. D.	Truck Driver	27554.00
	Overtime	2776.47
Hunnewell, Caroline H	Swimming Instructor	1580.00
Jones, Harold L	Supervisor of Checklist	586.19
King, Steven A	Truck Driver	27692.00
	Overtime	1927.46
Lappin, Thomas J.	Building Inspector	758.84
Lersch, David H	Building Inspector	4714.31
Marsh, Michelle	Deputy Town Clerk	1293.20
Norwalk, Nancy E	Library Director-West	20528.15
Prescott, George T	Recreation Director	1860.00
Roberts, Paul M	Police Corporal	33130.00
	Overtime	4658.25
Rogers, Diane P	Supervisor of Checklist	892.51
Serem, Jerome	Equipment Operator	26,520.00
Stalker, Jesse R	Trustee of Trust Funds	1000.00
Stalker, Ruth A	Sub-Librarian	3552.10
Stocker, Kenneth	Road Agent	49142.50
Stockwell, Bette	Ballot Clerk	236.85
Sullivan, Maryellen	Ballot Clerk	147.60
Sweet, Fred	Treasurer	3100.00
Swett, Anthony	Patrolman	6860.00
Taylor, Robert W	Selectman	2280.00
Taylor, Stephen H	Moderator	360.00
Thomason, Sheila	Library Director-East	3360.50
Timmons, Susan J	Ballot Clerk	236.85

Walker, Gregory M	Truck Driver	7995.00
	Overtime	553.25
West, George W	Supervisor of Checklist	914.38
Wheeler, Ruth Ann	Town Clerk/Tax Collector	35069.88
Wilder, Mark H	Selectman	2377.50
Zea, Howard W	Town Archivist	1200.00
Total		\$ 543,383.55

WELFARE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

During 2006, the Welfare Office continued to assist the residents of Plainfield and Meriden with the following services:

Assistance to the Homeless	Relocation Assistance
Rent Assistance	Heating/Fuel Assistance
Food Assistance	Prescription Drug Assistance

Thanks goes to the individuals and organizations in the background, too numerous to mention, for all of the help in donations of time, effort and incidentals which benefit our town and help to keep the budget down.

If assistance is needed, contact the town office at 469-3201. Leave your phone number and you will get a call back from the Welfare/Health Officer. A discreet and confidential meeting will be held at the earliest convenience of all parties.

The almost monthly senior socials have appeared to be a success. The attendance has grown to an enrollment of 59 seniors. The Millar Fund had to cut back on their monetary assistance some, but with all of the help and donations, the senior socials will continue as normal. Our participants in the socials have asked that we have the get-together every month, an idea we are trying starting this February. If anyone needs a ride or assistance getting to the socials, please call me (Al Grindle) at 675-2646.

Al Grindle

HUMAN SERVICES REPORT

Residents of the Town of Plainfield continued to have access to needed social services from the following agencies during 2006:

ACORN: AIDS Community Resource Network, which exists to support and assist those whose lives are affected by HIV/AIDS. 2 Blacksmith Street, Lebanon, NH. **tel. 603-448-8887.**

COMMUNITY ALLIANCE: Provides counseling and support for youth and their families, available 24 hours a day; works with court ordered juveniles, maintaining Chandler House, an emergency, temporary home for these clients. PO Box 188, Newport NH 03773 **tel. 863-7708.**

GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTER: Provides services to senior citizens: meals, including deliveries of meals, transportation, adult day care, recreation,

health screening and social services. PO Box 433 / Lebanon, NH 03766-0433 tel. 448-4897

HEADREST: Provides information and referrals for human services in the Upper Valley. Located at 14 Church St./ PO Box 247/Lebanon, NH 03766 tel. 448-4872. Hotline 448-4400.

SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY SERVICES: Provides and administers Fuel Assistance, Commodity Foods, WIC Program, Neighbor Helping Neighbor, and Eldercare programs along with other human service type programs to eligible applicants. PO Box 1338 Claremont, NH 03743. tel. 542-9528.

VNAVN/HOSPICE: Visiting Nurse Alliance of Vermont and New Hampshire Medicare is a certified home care agency that provides home health services to Plainfield residents. 331 Olcott Drive, Suite U1, White River Jct. Vt. 05001-9263 tel. 1-800-858-1696

VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION: A program from Mt. Ascutney Hospital that provides caring volunteers of all ages who assist neighbors in need of a helping hand. Most frequently used services are: transportation, visitation, food shopping. PO Box 707 Windsor, Vt. 05089 tel. 802-674-5971.

WEST CENTRAL SERVICES: Provides mental health and behavioral services for no or very low costs to the uninsured. West Central Services is the New Hampshire designated community mental health facility for Plainfield and all of Sullivan County. 9 Hanover Street, Suite 2, Lebanon, NH 03766 tel. 448-0126.

After expressing their gratitude for past support these agencies are again looking for funding from our community:

Organization	Granted 2006	Requested 2007	Budgeted 2007
Acorn	\$300	\$ 300	\$ 300
Community Alliance	\$500	\$ 750	\$ 500
GCSCC	\$1,750	\$1,750	\$1,750
Headrest	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800
Sthwst Comm Serv	\$ 500	\$ 700	\$ 700
VNAVN	\$8,964	\$9,590	\$9,590
Volunteers in Action	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
West Central Services	\$2,000	\$2,310	\$2,310
Total	\$16,014	\$17,400	\$17,150

PLAINFIELD HISTORY ACCOUNT
(administered by the Plainfield and Meriden Libraries)
January 1, 2006-December 31, 2006

Choice White Pines and Good Land: A History of Plainfield and Meriden, New Hampshire has continued to sell steadily. The Plainfield and Meriden Libraries are in charge of selling, marketing, storing, and shipping the books. It has been 15 years since the history was published, and the number of copies sold to date is 1,067. The cost is \$45, and they are available at the town office and the Plainfield and Meriden Libraries. Our town is an interesting place and quite unique in many ways. Many researchers use this history as a reference for their books and magazine articles. "Choice White Pines..." is cited in many bibliographies. Purchase your copy now and read about **your** community.

At Town Meeting 2000, a warrant article was passed authorizing the establishment of a capital reserve fund called the Plainfield History Fund. The fund was established with money from this Plainfield History account and periodically funds from sales will be transferred to the capital reserve. Eventually, the Plainfield History Fund will be used to underwrite the cost of writing the next volume of Plainfield's history. See the Trustee of Trust Funds report for the balance of this fund.

Financial Report

Balance January 1		\$1,925.67
Income:		
Sale of books	\$ 520.00	
Bank interest	<u>8.71</u>	
Total income		<u>\$ 528.71</u>
		\$2,454.38
Expenses:		
None		
Balance December 31		\$2,454.38

KIMBALL UNION ACADEMY STUDY COMMITTEE

The charge of this committee is "to meet with representatives of the KUA administration and maintain an ongoing review of the relationship between the academy and the town, including any agreement pursuant to RSA 72:23, and to report its findings at next March's annual town meeting." Over the last three years the committee has held its discussions with the stated goal of "working as a collective community to maximize all of our local resources to enhance opportunities for all and at the same time reduce or control property tax increases."

Based on our work this year, your committee reports the following:

Exclusive of students of KUA faculty, there are currently 31 students from Plainfield attending the academy. This is up from the 24 students that were reported last year, and 21 reported two years ago. The committee has, for several years now, been working with the academy to return to past years' levels of having 30 or more local students attending the private school. In the 2006/07 academic year, day student tuition was \$24,500. The property tax funded tuition at Lebanon High, the town's designated high school for Plainfield students, is \$11,262.

Based on the academy's dormitory, dining hall and kitchen assets valued for tax purposes at \$5,143,500, the discretionary exemption granted for 2006 had a value \$126,000. In return, Kimball Union provided to local students \$124,550 in "Plainfield Grant Assistance." In addition, the school informed the committee that another \$117,150 in financial aid from the school was awarded to local students.

The committee continues to support a need-based distribution of the Plainfield Grant. In 2006, the formula was 70% based on need with the other 30% being divided evenly among the non-faculty Plainfield students attending the school. This resulted in all students receiving at least \$1,300 in tuition relief with the maximum Plainfield Grant award being just over \$9,000. This year's committee recommends that this same formula be used for the 2007/8 year.

During this year's meetings, the topic of a future location for the Meriden Post Office was heavily discussed resulting in the following: The school is not likely to renew the lease for the post office at its current location. The existing lease expires in August of 2009. It is generally acknowledged that the current facility is not in compliance with postal service facility standards. The continued existence of a post office in Meriden Village is a high priority for both the town and the academy. At this time, KUA is working with its master planning consultants in an effort to identify other campus facilities that might serve as a future postal location.

As part of its continued efforts to address safety concerns along Main Street, the school in consultation with the town and approval of the state installed cross walks on Main Street. The success of the crosswalks depends largely on all pedestrians consistently using the provided locations when crossing the street. There are highly visible signs indicating the crosswalks to motorists. Pedestrians need to also be aware that due to the grade of Main Street, vehicles may not be able to immediately stop. This is particularly true in poor weather conditions.

Kimball Union has continued to provide support to the town's expanding Geographic Information System. The school's technology center is being used as the hub for this group's work. The school's map plotters allow the town's GIS group easy access to large hard copy maps from the system.

Access by Plainfield residents to KUA facilities, grounds and events has continued to broaden and be better publicized in the last year. The school's new turf athletic field was used by local high schools and the Plainfield Elementary School allowing for several soccer tournaments to be completed despite the very heavy rains that occurred last fall. As part of the site plan review approval by the planning board a public period of comment and review of the first year's use of the field, particularly the lights, will take place with the Meriden community later this summer.

The school played a key role in the establishment of the Ira and Sara Townsend Bridge, which is located on KUA property. The bridge allows access to the French's Ledges trail system from the Plainfield Elementary School. As part of this effort, the school also granted to the Town of Plainfield an easement, which insures public access to the French's Ledges area in perpetuity.

KUA students again this year hosted the holiday luncheon for Plainfield Seniors. This annual event features a holiday meal from the school's dining hall coupled with performances from KUA music students.

This year's committee also discussed options for either expanding existing scholarships or the establishment of a new privately funded scholarship as a means of providing

enhanced private opportunities for Plainfield students to attend the academy. Key to this effort will be identifying school alumni who are willing to contribute to such an effort. To provide just an additional \$10,000 of annually available assistance would require a scholarship endowment of approximately \$200,000.

Because the continued progress in all aspects of the complex town/school relationship, a majority of the committee, again this year, supports the approval of the KUA tax exemption.

Given that the current funding arrangement requires annual voting approval at town meeting, the committee recommends that its focus next year be broadened to consider other possible long-term funding solutions.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Bartles, Susan Plummer, Douglas Cogan, Gordon Defoe, Stephen Halleran, Diane Rogers, Michael Schafer, Bradford Atwater

Kimball Union Academy Study Committee

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

In response to warrant articles at the 2005 and 2006 town meetings, this Solid Waste Committee was tasked with developing a proposal for solid waste management for the town of Plainfield beginning July 1, 2007. At that time, the New Hampshire/Vermont Solid Waste District's 20-year contract with the Wheelabrator incinerator expires. Plainfield sends about 900 tons of its annual 1,150 tons of solid waste to the incinerator. Another 125 tons are recycled at curbside, and another 130 tons are recycled at the drop-off shed.

Plainfield currently pays \$91/ton to dispose of material sent to the incinerator, or about \$82,000 per year. Plainfield does not pay any processing fee for materials picked up curbside for recycling. Northeast Waste Services charges the town \$125,000 per year, plus a fuel surcharge, for weekly curbside collection. In 2006, the surcharge totaled about \$7,400. The town's user fee system for trash generates about \$125,000 per year, leaving around \$82,000 to be raised from local property taxes. The tax rate impact is about \$.40 on a rate of \$24.50.

Major Developments in 2006

- On the committee's recommendation, the Selectmen and Town Administrator negotiated a contract with the Lebanon Landfill to dispose of Plainfield's solid waste from July 1, 2007 – 2011. The first year's tipping fee will be around \$70.
Two key reasons cited by Lebanon officials for allowing Plainfield to use their landfill were our recycling program and curbside collection program.
- On the committee's recommendation, the Selectmen and Town Administrator negotiated a contract with Northeast Waste Services to continue curbside collection of Plainfield's refuse and recycling through 2011.
- The committee held the first annual Pre-Father's Day Recycling & Clean-Up Extravaganza. The event resulted in the recycling of:
 - 1 ton of electronics
 - 5 tons of tires

- 7 tons of steel
- and disposal of:
- 3,4 tons of large household items.

Recommendations

- Continue membership with the Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste Management District and sever ties with the NH/VT Solid Waste District. The Lebanon Landfill is the end facility for the Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste Management District. The town also participates in the Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste Management District's twice per year household hazardous waste collection days.
- Make the Pre-Father's Day Recycling & Clean-Up Extravaganza an annual event.
- Update the recycling shed to conform to new waste disposal practices and inform the public about those changes.
- Increase, by 2010, recycling to 50% of our tonnage and reduce waste generated by the town. Our community's greatest opportunity for waste disposal savings is to reduce the amount of waste sent to the landfill.
- Inform citizens about solid waste issues and reenergize them to reduce, reuse and recycle.



First Annual Father's Day weekend clean up day sponsored by the Solid Waste Management Committee. Photo: Russ Kelley



PLAINFIELD RECYLING

January 2007

Plainfield's recycling rate is 23% in 2006. The cost savings to the town from recycling efforts went from \$ 23,091 in 2005 to \$23,487 in 2006.

	2004	2005	2006
Total tonnage	1,140.5	1,176.11	1,143.1
Tons incinerated	904	910	885
Tons recycled curbside	156	153	127
Tons recycled at Shed	80.5	113	132

Curbside Recycling: Cost savings to the town totaled \$11,502.4. This is down \$2,420.6 from last year. We made overall cost savings by not sending curbside recyclables to the incinerator. Items below, except for the tires and oil, and 2/3's of the metal could have been put in curbside trash. After using revenues from the Shed's recyclables to offset costs and processing fees, NRRA fees, the Shed cost \$2,115.75 including \$590 in materials to repair the junk paper box. This is a \$265.75 difference up from last year, not including repairs to box.

Father's Day Clean-up Extravaganza generated \$2,341 in revenue. We collected household junk, tires, electronics/computers, fleeces and the usual items. The cost to haul and for containers, etc. was \$2,697 for a minor expense of \$356. We had about 3.4 tons of junk, and 5.9 tons of tires.

The Selectmen arrange for 2 days a year for hazardous waste collection. This year they were held at Lebanon Landfill. Plainfield resident's participation cost approx. \$2,600.

Drop-Off Shed: Cost savings to the town totaled \$ 11,984.70.

Material Collected at Shed	Est. Amount collected (in tons)	
	2005	2006
Magazines, boxboard, junk mail	18.0	21.19
Scrap Metal	67.31	70.88
Corrugated cardboard, grocery bags	22.0	26.0
Office paper (white)	.75	.75
Tires (collected 2 times per year)	3.72	7.48
Household rechargeable batteries	N/A	N/A
Fluorescent tubes 6' in length or less	\$300	\$360
Oil – used @7.3lbs per gal.	510 gal	570 gal/2.0tns
Printer cartridges	N/A	N/A
Cell Phones	N/A	N/A
Father's Day Junk		3.4
Propane tanks (not accepted at Shed)		
75 tanks left off @ \$5 per tank to de-stem	approx.	<\$375>
Total		\$131.7
(an increase of 1.15% over 2005)		

In the Spring Plainfield will be sponsoring the second annual “Father’s Day Clean-up Extravaganza”, and there is a tire collection day in the autumn, funding the town’s participation in 2 hazardous waste collection days (spring & fall). Many thanks to the recycling volunteers, Steve Halleran and especially to Ken Stocker and the highway crew for all of their efforts including and not least “the Metal Bin” and surrounding areas.

Hillary Sundell, Recycling Shed Coordinator

CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMISSIONS

This year the Connecticut River Joint Commissions (CRJC) have considered issues as wide-ranging as the Alstead flood to climate change and the effects of ice jams. In 2006 CRJC provided \$82,000 in Partnership Program grants for locally-inspired projects, including a study of Connecticut River dragonflies in the Plainfield area, a land management training program for horse owners, and a trout aquarium for the Hartland Elementary School.

We hosted the Environmental Protection Agency in announcing results of the Connecticut River Fish Contaminant Study, the first whole-river study of its kind, which was requested by CRJC. Results for the Mt. Ascutney Region indicate that PCBs are a threat to fishermen, birds, and mammals that eat Connecticut River fish. Levels of mercury in fish in this reach are more of a threat to fish-eating birds and mammals than to humans. Dioxins and DDT breakdown products are also present in fish tissue and are a threat to subsistence fishers but not to recreational anglers. Our web site, www.crjc.org, carries links to this study and to state fish consumption advisories.

CRJC supports efforts to safeguard the valley’s natural, agricultural, and historic assets, and are working with businesses and the states to strengthen the local base for tourism through the Connecticut River Byway. In 2006 we created a manual to help local groups prepare engaging heritage tourism-related publications to showcase their communities. Visit the Byway at www.ctrivertravel.net.

Appointed by the legislatures of New Hampshire and Vermont to guide growth and development in the watershed, the CRJC are advisory and have no regulatory powers. The Commissions strive to ensure greater public involvement in decisions that affect the river region. We welcome the public to our meetings on the last Monday of each month. Visit our web site for a calendar of events, useful information and links, and our newsletters, *River Valley News* and *River Byway News*.

Nancy Franklin and Robert Kline, Connecticut River Commissioners

ANNUAL REPORT - 2006 Mt. Ascutney Region Subcommittee of the Connecticut River Joint Commissions

This year the Mt. Ascutney Region Subcommittee updated the water resources chapter of the *Connecticut River Management Plan*, focusing on the many environmental and economic benefits of keeping floodplains open, shorelands protected from development, and vegetated riparian buffers growing along riverbanks to keep them stable, keep debris off floodplain fields, and to filter pollutants from water running off the land into the river.

The subcommittee continues to carry out our obligation to provide information

and assistance to the states, towns, and local landowners on projects near the river. We encourage towns to consider our *Plan* and to incorporate its recommendations when updating town plans and revising zoning ordinances.

Citizens interested in representing the town should contact the selectmen. The subcommittee is advisory and has no regulatory authority. The public is welcome to join our meetings, on the second Tuesday evening of every other month at the Windsor Connection Resource Center. A calendar, advice on bank erosion and obtaining the necessary federal or state permits for work in or near the river, and a summary of the *Connecticut River Management Plan* are on the web at www.crjc.org/localaction.htm.

*Steve Halleran and Ted Moynihan, Plainfield representatives to the
Mt. Ascutney Region Subcommittee*

Senator Peter H. Burling District 5

I am so pleased to serve you as your State Senator, and I write to report from the New Hampshire Senate on important state issues affecting you, as residents of Plainfield.

Last session, I concentrated on several key issues important to the citizens of New Hampshire: among them were expanding fuel assistance for citizens struggling with skyrocketing heating costs; improving access to affordable housing; healthcare and prescription access for New Hampshire individuals and children; strengthening state ethics laws; enhancing consumer protections for our residents, especially those who prey on the vulnerable citizens; strengthening protection for New Hampshire's children against sexual predators; safeguarding homeowner and landowner rights relating to Eminent Domain; and protecting privacy and voter protection rights for New Hampshire's residents. I have also fought to maintain state aid to towns.

In the upcoming year of the current biennium, the Town of Plainfield will receive \$1,399,938 in state education funding. Education grants made up \$1,360,186 of this total. The remaining balance of state aid consists of \$29,467 in building aid, and \$10,285 in special education aid.

In addition to these different forms of state aid for education, Plainfield will receive distribution of the \$86,261 from the Rooms and Meals Tax, as well as \$103,907 for Highway Block Grants, and \$30,039 for Revenue Sharing.

As a member of Senate Public and Municipal Affairs Committee, Transportation and Interstate Cooperation Committee, and Chairman of both Election Law and Internal Affairs Committee, and the Executive Departments and Administration Committee, I will be very busy. I would be happy to hear from you on any issues of concern you may have. This session, I will be concentrating on new issues important to the citizens of New Hampshire: like increasing the minimum wage, protecting New Hampshire citizen's health by supporting the smoking ban in restaurants and bars; increasing health care access and internet safety for children; protecting New Hampshire's special places and open spaces by increasing funding of the Land and Heritage Investment Program; supporting a permanent ban on the burning of construction and demolition debris; and supporting the Governor's initiative to reduce the dropout rate in our high schools.

If you wish to contact me about these or any other matters I might help you with, please call me at (603) 271-2642, or e-mail me at peter.burling@leg.state.nh.us.

Representative Matthew Houde Sullivan I Plainfield, Cornish and Grantham

The 2007 legislative session is well underway. Much of December and January focused on orientation of new members – to the State House, the committees upon which Representatives serve, and Sullivan County. It was a thorough orientation, but I know that I will continue to learn more “on the job”.

2006 was a historic election year in New Hampshire, with changes not only to composition (Democratic majorities now exist in the House, the Senate and the Executive Council) but also to leadership (both the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate are women).

While some things have changed, others have not. The Legislature will continue to deal with education funding, and, as you likely know, Governor Lynch has promised a veto of any broad based tax (such as an income tax or a sales tax). As a result, the property tax will remain the single largest tax on residents.

A brief note on education funding: in his Inaugural address, Governor Lynch called for a narrow constitutional amendment to allow targeted aid from donor towns to recipient towns. If passed, a constitutional amendment would allow for targeted aid among communities within the State (something the New Hampshire Supreme Court has previously ruled unconstitutional), but it would not address inequities within a town. However, I am aware of suggestions along these lines as well - urging the State to give more flexibility to towns to address intra-town inequities. I am eager to hear these proposals.

I have been assigned to the Commerce Committee, which deals with matters such as insurance, banking, securities, and business in New Hampshire. Public hearings have already been held on bills ranging from proposals to form a committee to study a single payer insurance system to proposals to require licensure of property and casualty appraisers. The Commerce Committee was one of the committees upon which I had asked to serve – not only because of the range of topics covered but also because of the impact this type of legislation has on both consumers and businesses in the State.

I have received several emails and phone calls from people in Plainfield; and I thank you for that. I encourage you to get in touch with me if you have questions or concerns. My email is matthewhoude@yahoo.com, and my home phone is 469-3149. While the deadline has passed to introduce new bills in the House this session, I am always receptive to having conversations about proposed bills for next year’s session.

Matthew Houde
Sullivan I
Plainfield, Cornish and Grantham

PLAINFIELD TOWN HALL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

The Town Hall Committee met seven times this year. Much was accomplished, as many of the repairs that we had recommended in the past have been completed. There are still many pending issues. The committee is also working on a long-term maintenance plan. Three new members were appointed this year: Pam Abrahamson, Dave Chellis and Nancy Scott. Pam volunteered to take the minutes.

Finished Projects:

1. The roof over the dressing rooms was resingled. This had been leaking badly for some time.
2. The hardwood floor was buffed and resealed. This was the first refinishing since the 1995 renovations. The contractor had recommended this be done approximately every three years.
3. An on-demand hot water heater has been installed and connected to the bathroom and kitchen sinks. This replaces the large hot water tank. Partly because the heater isn't used regularly, the coils in the tank deteriorate and cause the water to smell like rotten eggs. The on-demand heater will eliminate this problem and be less expensive to operate. The old tank should be removed.
4. The Police Department no longer routes their phone calls through the town hall phone. It is now possible for those in the hall to receive incoming calls.
5. The fire alarm/detectors have been cleaned.
6. The selectmen have approved the installation of a Knox box which securely holds a key to the building and is used to provide access to the building for emergency service providers.
7. Kitchen: Several years ago the Maxfield Parrish Stage Set Committee began raising funds to install cabinets, a sink and appliances in the kitchen. This past summer resident John Stephenson was able to obtain slightly used cabinets and a sink from a house that was being remodeled. Luckily they fit the dimension of the town hall kitchen space. John volunteered his time to install them. The Stage Set Committee used the funds raised to purchase a new refrigerator and two microwave ovens. Win Spencer is in the process of adding another light fixture. Renters now have a functional kitchen available for use, and it has been used several times already.
8. The Town Hall Committee has taken on the responsibility of keeping the hall stocked with paper goods.
9. Several pieces of loose slate were fixed. Rain had leaked in.
10. The entryway ceiling was replastered and lime washed (which was the original finish), and therefore should not be painted.

Recommendations These recommendations, with details, have been forwarded to the selectmen, and we are awaiting a response:

1. Additional outside lighting should be installed to ensure the safety of people attending evening functions. This lighting would be on a timer and would be used only during the functions.
2. A timer should be re-installed on the current outside above-door light.
3. The slate in front of the steps should be repaired/replaced and added to.
4. Crushed stone should be placed along the foundation perimeter to protect the building from the effects of moisture/mold and to facilitate maintenance, etc. Regular weeding should be done. The contractor recommended this.
5. Windows should be washed. This has not been done since 1995. Glass in two of the storm windows broke and should be replaced.

6. Written communication with PSNH should be revisited asking that the town hall be moved from the current rate to a general service rate without demand charges.
7. The front threshold which split continues to deteriorate and should be replaced.
8. Several ceiling tiles, damaged by the water leak, should be replaced.
9. The committee has recommended some small changes in the rental policies; i.e., some wording related to the kitchen and a slight reduction in the hourly meeting charge, to bring it in line with the rate that the Grange charges.

Long Term Maintenance Plan:

1. Painting—separate estimates have been obtained for painting the outside stairs and ramp, the bathrooms, kitchen and main hall.
2. Moving the gas tanks away from the building—The clapboards by the tanks are discolored and deteriorating from the exhaust of the furnace and water/condensation. Several solutions have been discussed, but a consensus has not yet been reached. The committee will be investigating further.
3. Plaster repair—an estimate has been obtained for repairing the plaster cracks in the main hall, which are not extensive. We have also received an estimate for some preservation work on the original plaster and wallpaper in the stage area, which has not had any work done. Grants may be available for preservation work.
4. Discussions are ongoing about a user-friendly sign that could be used by organizations to advertise their event and which could be put out in front of the hall.

The Plainfield Town Hall has seen increased usage in 2006. Since September, twice a week, the Plainfield Bone Builders have been using the hall for exercise for our senior citizens. The hall has continued to be used for private events such as weddings, receptions, and private parties. Non-profit Plainfield groups have used the hall for a variety of events from the rummage sale to a talent show.

The Maxfield Parrish Stage Set continues to be a strong draw for tourists. This year saw an increased number of summer visitors on Sundays during regular open hours. In addition, the Columbus Day Maxfield Parrish Vintage Print sale was very well attended. The Town of Plainfield is indeed fortunate to be the caretakers of this unusual piece of American Art history.

Respectfully submitted by the Plainfield Town Hall Operations Committee: Nancy Norwalk, Beverly Widger, Brad Atwater, Pam Abrahamson, Nancy Scott, David Chellis, Ruth Cassedy

VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

During the course of the year, your committee met three times with Architect William Flynn of Saucier and Flynn. These efforts resulted in the completion of the final conceptual design for the memorial. Poster boards of the design have been on display in the town office and the Plainfield Library for most of the year. Many favorable comments have been received. The committee feels that the design meets the priorities as outlined in last year's report, which are as follows:

The memorial should

- 1) Be inclusive of the broad spectrum of service that has been provided by Plainfield residents to our nation.
- 2) Be a space that is reflective and peaceful for those that visit it.
- 3) Be of a design that is in keeping with our community's rural history and compliments the existing features of the site.
- 4) Be of a design that requires minimal maintenance.

No additional tax monies are being requested for year 2007. The committee hopes to be able to move forward with fund raising efforts this year. Construction estimates for the memorial range from \$25,000 to \$40,000 depending on the amount of assistance town forces and local volunteers are able to contribute. Anyone interested in assisting with the capital campaign is encouraged to contact the town office.

Submitted,
Carl Strong, James Longacre, Harold Jones, Stephen Taylor and Stephen Halleran,
Memorial Committee



Plainfield School students visiting the Ira and Sara Townsend Bridge as part of the bridge dedication ceremony
Photo Stephen Halleran

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The charge of the Finance Committee is to advise the Selectboard and other officers in the prudential affairs of the Town.

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

School Sprinkler System [Warrant Article II]

The School Board has proposed a \$325,000 bond for the installation of a sprinkler system at the Plainfield Elementary School. This bond would also cover the treatment of the wood interior of the school with a fire retardant and the necessary ancillary work related to these projects.

By the order of the State Fire Marshall and the local Fire Chief, these actions must be undertaken for the school to meet the State fire code.

We believe the School Board and the Facilities Committee have done a sound job at being fiscally prudent in regard to this issue. Research has found that 30% of the bond will be reimbursed by State funds and a five year bond will save \$40,000 in interest as opposed to a ten year bond.

Collective Bargaining Agreement

The Committee commends the School Board for their work on contract negotiations. The three year duration of the agreement allows for cost savings in both benefit and contract negotiation related costs that would be incurred if renegotiation had to occur earlier.

Assistant Principal [Warrant Article VI]

For a second year, there is a proposed addition of a half-time Assistant Principal at \$25,000.

The Committee supports the addition of the Assistant Principal, as this position would allow the Principal to spend more time on the areas directly associated with curriculum development and student learning. We also recommend an examination of the SAU/Principal's Office to determine if future reorganization is a possibility for increased service and potential cost savings.

Building Maintenance Reserve Fund [Article VII]

The Committee supports the request to add \$20,000 to the Building Maintenance Fund and recommends the continual build-up of a reserve fund that will be adequate for major expenditures. The Town has effectively used reserve funds to prepare for inevitable expenses; the school infrastructure is clearly something that will continue to incur maintenance and update expenses. The Finance Committee commends the work undertaken by the School Facilities Committee and we should explore how to prepare adequately for predictable and unpredictable future expenses.

Article VIII

A petitioned warrant article to limit the total combined state and local school tax assessment increases to no more than the annual percentage increases as established by the Cost of Living Adjustment for Social Security.

The Committee encourages ideas to lessen financial burden on taxpayers, but feels that this article does not offer a workable solution. We do feel that many tax payers are unfairly burdened by the lack of state support and we should insist on increased educational funding and a more equitable tax system at the state level.

TOWN BUDGET

General:

Of the \$44,288 increase, \$42,000 can be directly tied to salaries and benefits for existing employees.

Regional Associations – Septage Agreement

A septage capacity contract with Claremont has been added to the “Regional Associations” line of the budget at \$3,361.50. This was added to ensure the City of Claremont will guarantee septage dumping privileges at its Wastewater Treatment Plant for septage originating in the Town of Plainfield at a rate of \$0.07 per gallon.

The Committee supports this expenditure as it is driven by a N.H. State RSA.

Solid Waste Disposal

We applaud the efforts of the Selectboard for negotiating a successful Solid Waste Disposal Contract with the City of Lebanon. This will have an immediate short-term impact in savings during this budget cycle, as well as, long-term savings for the Town.

Library

The increase over the previous budget is primarily attributed to pay increases and an additional two hours of operation. As the overall circulation numbers and patrons increase, the Committee supports this expenditure.

Planning/Zoning Board

Potential subdivision regulations need attention and the Planning and Zoning Board feels that we should have the assistance of a professional planner. The Committee supports the request for professional services as this will enable us to better manage Town growth.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Beaupre, Ann Grobe, Rob Hewett, Thomas Lappin, Claire McNamara

MERIDEN VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT 2006 Operator's Report

Upgrades to the WWTF were put out to bid in early March. Only one bid was received to do the work that was significantly over the budget for the project. The Commissioners decided to postpone the project until 2007 and request additional funding at the Annual Meeting of the District. The project engineer has estimated that an additional \$ 155,000 will be needed to complete the project. In February, groundwater monitoring wells were installed at the WWTF. Two rounds of samples were taken in April and June, and the data was compiled and submitted to the State DES by the project engineer. A comprehensive inspection of the collection system was performed with assistance from the Granite State Rural Water Assn. during the summer and early fall. Several problem areas were identified and corrected. The State of NH performed the NPDES inspection of the operation of the WWTF. This inspection is performed once every two years and includes a comprehensive review of the facilities, records and laboratory procedures. The current NPDES permit will expire in June of 2007. A renewal application was filed with the EPA. The Plainfield School was connected to the treatment facility in early December. The School utilizes a duplex pump station equipped with a stand-by generator connection. The Water District truck, a 1983 GMC $\frac{3}{4}$ ton pickup, was reconditioned with help from the Plainfield Highway Dept.

In March, the connection of the new wells was put out to bid. Several bids were received that were all determined to be over budget. The project was value engineered by the project engineer and put out to bid again in June. Paragon Construction of Orford, NH. was selected to perform the pipe installation portion of the project. The work was completed in August. The Commissioners decided to complete the remainder of the project utilizing local contractors. Pumps were installed, and an addition to the existing pumphouse was built during the fall. Electrical and control work will continue in early 2007. It is anticipated that final approval of the wells will be granted sometime this year. NHDES performed the sanitary survey of the water system in November. The water and sewer utilities located along Baynes Rd. as part of the MVD project will be deeded to the District early this year.

Respectfully submitted,
William S. Taylor
Certified Operator, Meriden Village Water District

Donald E. Garfield
Jeffrey S. Allbright
Murray Dewdney
Commissioners, Meriden Village Water District

**WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**SULLIVAN, SS.
PLAINFIELD**

TOWN OF

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield in the said county of Sullivan in said State, who are legal voters residing in the Meriden Village Water District, and qualified to vote in said District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plainfield School in said Meriden Village Water District on Tuesday the twentieth day of March 2007 at 7:30 p.m. to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE I.

To choose the necessary District Officers for the ensuing year, or otherwise as the by-laws direct:

1. A moderator for one year.
2. A clerk for one year.
3. A commissioner for three years.
4. A treasurer for one year.
5. Such other officers and agents as the voters may judge necessary for the managing of the District's affairs, or as may be directed by law to be chosen.

ARTICLE II. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$155,000 (gross budget) for upgrading the wastewater treatment system off Bonner Road, for removing and disposing of accumulated sludge in the lagoons and other wastewater system upgrades, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$155,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Commissioners to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. Commissioners are further authorized to accept any grants available from state or federal sources. The Commissioners recommend this appropriation. (2/3 ballot vote required).

ARTICLE III. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$230,872 which represents the operating budget. Said sum does not include special or individual warrant articles addressed. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE IV. To see what action the District will take with regard to the reports of the District officers.

ARTICLE V. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993 for replacing or upgrading the water distribution system, pursuant to RSA35:1. The Commissioners recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE VI. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1997 for the purpose of replacing or upgrading equipment on the wastewater treatment system, pursuant to RSA35:1. The Commissioners recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE VII. To see what action the District will take with regard to water and sewer use charges.

ARTICLE VII. To enact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this ninth day of January, 2007.

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

DONALD E. GARFIELD
JEFFREY S. ALLBRIGHT
MURRAY DEWDNEY
COMMISSIONERS, MVWD

**MINUTES
MERIDEN VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT MEETING
MARCH 21, 2006**

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Meriden Village Water District, in the town of Plainfield, County of Sullivan, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs, held at the Plainfield School on Tuesday the twenty first of March 2006 at 7:30 p.m., the business was disposed of in the following manner:

The Annual Meeting of the Meriden Village Water District was called to order by Acting Moderator Carin Reynolds.

A motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the entire warrant. A voice vote was in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE I. The following resolution was offered, and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED: That the following slate of officers be elected:

Moderator for one year:	Stephen Taylor
Clerk for one year:	Roberta Garfield
Commissioner for three years:	Jeffrey Allbright
Treasurer for one year:	Gretchen Taylor

The vote was in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it.

ARTICLE II. The following resolution was offered, and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED: That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$224,757 which represents the operating budget. Said sum does not include special or individual warrant articles addressed.

It was unanimously voted in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it.

ARTICLE III. The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded and moved that it be adopted.

RESOLVED: That the reports of District Officers be accepted as printed in the Town of Plainfield 2005 Town Report; subject to corrections, and that a corrected copy be placed on file with the District Clerk.

It was voted in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it.

ARTICLE IV. The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be Adopted.

RESOLVED: That the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1993 for replacing or upgrading the water distribution system, pursuant to RSA35:1.

It was unanimously voted in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it.

ARTICLE V. The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED: That the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund created in 1997 for the purpose of replacing or upgrading equipment on the wastewater treatment system, pursuant to RSA35:1

It was unanimously voted in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it

ARTICLE VII. The following resolution was offered and it was moved and seconded that it be adopted:

RESOLVED:

1. That District charges for residential sewer service remain at \$110.00 per quarter.
2. That District charges for sewer service to Kimball Union Academy remain at \$7,000 per month.
3. That District charges for residential water service remain at \$70.00 per quarter.
4. That District charges for water service to Kimball Union Academy remain at \$7,000 per month.

It was unanimously voted in the affirmative and the Moderator so declared it.

ARTICLE VII. There being no business under this article, the meeting was voted adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Roberta I. Garfield
Clerk

Sewer Department

Income	Budget 2006	Actual 2006	Budget 2007
Sewer Charges	\$99,650.00	\$102,295.00	\$112,122.00
Hook-up	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
From Surplus	\$0.00	\$5,088.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$0.00	\$63.00	\$0.00
SRF loan	\$219,700.00	\$0.00	\$356,700.00
From Capital Reserve	\$18,284.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
State of NH	\$0.00	\$6,447.00	\$0.00
Total Income	\$347,634.00	\$123,893.00	\$468,822.00

Sewer Department

Expenses	Budget 2006	Actual 2006	Budget 2007
Office	\$500.00	\$125.00	\$550.00
Legal	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Electricity	\$10,000.00	\$10,224.00	\$11,500.00
Insurance	\$15,500.00	\$15,843.00	\$17,022.00
Maintenance	\$6,000.00	\$3,885.00	\$6,000.00
Telephone	\$600.00	\$488.00	\$600.00
Wages	\$31,500.00	\$31,259.00	\$32,500.00
FICA, Medicare	\$4,500.00	\$3,852.00	\$5,000.00
Interest on Debt	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Principal on Debt	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Supplies	\$4,000.00	\$3,713.00	\$4,000.00
Effluent Testing	\$8,000.00	\$10,186.00	\$9,000.00
Vehicle	\$3,850.00	\$4,418.00	\$750.00
Capital Reserve	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$5,000.00
Aeration/Sludge Rmvl	\$219,700.00	\$6,617.00	\$356,700.00
Ground Water Monitoring	\$18,284.00	\$18,284.00	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$347,634.00	\$123,894.00	\$468,822.00

Water Department

Income	Budget 2006	Actual 2006	Budget 2007
Hydrant Rentals	\$3,600.00	\$2,400.00	\$3,600.00
Water Rents	\$109,023.00	\$98,755.00	\$100,950.00
Interest	\$200.00	\$169.00	\$200.00
SRF Project	\$0.00	\$106,775.00	\$0.00
From Capital Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100,000.00
Fund Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00
Hook Ups	\$2,500.00	\$750.00	\$0.00
Total Income	\$115,323.00	\$208,849.00	\$224,750.00

Expenses	Budget 2006	Actual 2006	Budget 2007
Office	\$500.00	\$669.00	\$500.00
Legal	\$500.00	\$728.00	\$500.00
Electricity	\$5,000.00	\$4,560.00	\$5,000.00
Insurance	\$4,600.00	\$4,599.00	\$5,250.00
Maintenance	\$5,000.00	\$1,608.00	\$5,000.00
Water Analysis	\$1,250.00	\$700.00	\$1,250.00
Telephone	\$600.00	\$485.00	\$600.00
Wages	\$9,300.00	\$9,300.00	\$9,600.00

FICA, Medicare	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,400.00
Interest on Debt	\$30,713.00	\$7,008.00	\$39,900.00
Principal on Debt	\$52,160.00	\$30,000.00	\$53,750.00
Capital Reserve	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$1,000.00
Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$945.00	\$1,000.00
SRF Project	\$0.00	\$130,780.00	\$100,000.00
Total Expenses	\$115,323.00	\$196,082.00	\$224,750.00

**Water Department Balance Sheet
December 31, 2006**

Assets:

Cash: In hands of treasurer	\$ 82,143.00
Reserves: Distribution upgrade fund	\$ 107,000.00
Accounts due district: Water charges due	<u>\$ 13,395.00</u>
Total Assets	\$ 202,538.00

Liabilities:

Reserve Funds: Distribution upgrade fund	<u>\$ 107,000.00</u>
Total Liabilities	\$ 107,000.00

Fund Balance Current Surplus	<u>\$ 95,538.00</u>
Grand Total	\$ 202,538.00

**Water Department Balance Sheet
December 31, 2006**

Assets:

Cash: In hands of treasurer	\$ 30,486.00
Accounts due district	\$ 12,395.00
Capital Reserve Fund	<u>\$ 33,500.00</u>
Total Assets	\$ 76,381.00

Liabilities:

Reserve Funds: Capital Reserve	<u>\$ 33,500.00</u>
Total Liabilities	\$ 33,500.00

Fund Balance - Current Surplus	<u>\$ 42,881.00</u>
Grand Total	\$ 76,381.00

PLAINFIELD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT

Commissioners' Annual Report January 2007

This year presented the commissioners with the opportunity to finish some things left undone in previous years. While some of the things got done, some remain as challenges as we head into 2007. The commissioners were able to complete most of the project authorized in 2005 to add a fire hydrant and two flush points. The fire hydrant now stands on Whitey Rd., near the intersection of Stage Rd. and Route 12-A. We did purchase the parts to add the flush points and expect to do so this year, under our general system improvements budget. After considerable research and discussion of various options, we plan to complete the 2006 project to fix distribution on the west side of 12-A in the village, where four units share a single, undersized feed. Even with these projects, we are proposing a smaller budget than last year.

Completion of the well portion of the project allowed us to apply for the state grant to offset the cost of replacing gallery well systems (our old well off Hayward Road was a gallery well). This program funds up to 30% of the capital costs of replacing the well. Because our system design required the use of a large storage tank to allow the use of relatively low-yield wells (though the new wells yield far more, and far better water than the old gallery), the state certified 99% of our \$450,000 bond issue as eligible for reimbursement. This will give us a significant cash infusion over the next two years as the state makes up for the years between 2000 and 2006 when we were making bond payments but could not apply for reimbursement. We expect the annual payments toward the bond to begin this year as well. To this end, we are asking to set aside some of the money in capital reserve funds at the annual meeting, and at the same time reducing rates to reflect the reimbursement.

More maintenance was completed this year. We were able to add a valve that “should have been there” on Westgate Rd. while the town was working on the road, so that we did not have to tear up (and restore) any pavement. We have located all of the system valves, and operated all that were accessible (One is under the pavement on Peterson Rd.) We plan to repair one fire hydrant and raise the height of another this year as we continue to bring our system up to a state of good repair. We also plan to convert the pump controls to fully automatic operation.

Collections remain a challenge. Our “accounts receivable” number represents about half “old debt” (more than 180 days) and about half accounts that are one billing period overdue. We have seen some payment on all but a very few of the “old debt” accounts this year.

Large scale flushing operations seem to have brought our long-time sediment problem somewhat more under control. More flushing is planned for 2007.

There is plenty of work for anyone interested in helping. Please contact one of the commissioners if you're looking for opportunities.

The commissioners

Robert Drye
Henry Ingham
Ralph Patalano

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PLAINFIELD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT
TOWN OF PLAINFIELD**

SULLIVAN, SS.

To the inhabitants of the town of Plainfield in the said county of Sullivan in the said State, who are legal voters residing in the Plainfield Village Water District, and qualified to vote in said district affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plainfield Town Hall in said Plainfield Village Water District on **Saturday the 24th of March 2006 at 10:00 a.m.,** to act upon the following subjects.

ARTICLE I. To choose the necessary District Officers for the ensuing year or otherwise.

1. A moderator for one year.
2. A clerk for one year
3. A commissioner for three years
4. A treasurer for one year

ARTICLE II. To see what action the district will take with regard to the reports of the district officers.

ARTICLE III. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$71,043** to defray district expenses, and to authorize the Commissioners to direct disbursements of funds by the District Treasurer in accordance with the District's Administrative Guidelines. Said sum does not include special warrant articles assessed. (Majority vote required for passage.) (The Commissioners recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE IV. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$5,000** for the purpose
Of establishing an expendable trust fund pursuant to RSA31:19-a to be known as the System Maintenance Fund to be used for maintenance and repairs on the source, treatment, storage and distribution system owned by the district, with the commissioners named as agents to expend. (Majority vote required for passage.) (The Commissioners recommend passage of this article.)

ARTICLE V. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 20th day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

At true copy attest:

Robert Drye
Henry Ingham
Ralph Patalano

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PLAINFIELD
VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT March 25, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 10:09 am.
Attendance was 13 voters, plus two non-voting visitors.

Moderator Jeff Moore declared that the warrant had been properly posted.

Rob Drye made a motion to dispense with a reading of the warrant. Sarah Gillens seconded. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

ARTICLE I

Rob Drye offered the following motion and it was seconded:

To choose the necessary District Officers for the ensuing years or otherwise:

1. A moderator for one year
2. A clerk for one year
3. A commissioner for three years
4. A treasurer for one year.

The following votes were taken:

For moderator -

Rob Drye nominated Jeff Moore. Ralph Patalano seconded.

Rob Drye moved that the clerk cast one ballot for Jeff Moore and Ralph Patalano seconded.

The clerk cast one vote and Jeff Moore was declared elected.

For clerk -

Sarah Gillens nominated Margaret Drye and Ralph Patalano seconded.

Rob Drye moved that the clerk cast one ballot for Margaret Drye. Henry Ingham seconded.

The clerk cast one vote and Margaret Drye declared elected.

For commissioner – 3 year term

Brad Atwater nominated Henry Ingham and Rob Drye seconded.

Rob Drye moved that the clerk cast one ballot for Henry Ingham. Sarah Gillens seconded.

The clerk cast one vote and Henry Ingham was declared elected.

For treasurer –

Ralph Patalano nominated Sarah Gillens and Henry Ingham seconded.

Rob Drye moved that the clerk cast one ballot for Sarah Gillens.

The clerk cast one vote and Sarah Gillens was declared elected.

ARTICLE II

Rob Drye moved that the district accept the reports of the district officers as printed in the Plainfield New Hampshire 2005 Town Report on pages 99 through 104 be accepted.

Ralph Patalano seconded the motion. George Adams noted that the Accounts Receivable page was missing from the town report. Rob Drye moved to amend the record with the cash flow statement that was not included in the town report, and then withdrew the motion.

Brad Atwater motioned that we recess for 10 minutes to get the report. Ralph Patalano seconded. The moderator declared the meeting recessed 10 minutes. Rob Drye returned with copies of the missing part of the report.

Moderator called an end to the recess.

Brad Atwater moved that we accept the reports of the officers of the District as proposed in Article II and incorporate the Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2005. Henry Ingham seconded.

Discussion centered on what was currently due as opposed to uncollected from last year and if it would be possible next year to submit “aged” receivables.

The moderator called for a voice vote.

The motion was declared passed.

ARTICLE III

Rob Drye made the following motion:

Resolved, that the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$71,292.48 to defray district expenses, and to authorize the Commissioners to direct disbursements of funds by the District Treasurer in accordance with the District’s administrative guidelines. Said sum does not include special warrant articles assessed.

Ralph Patalano seconded the motion.

The moderator called for a written ballot.

YES 12 NO 0

The article was declared passed.

ARTICLE IV

Ralph Patalano made the following motion:

Resolved, that the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5000 for the purpose of replacing distribution pipes servicing four buildings on Route 12-A. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the pipes are installed or December 31, 2007, whichever is sooner.

Rob Drye seconded the motion.

The moderator called for a written ballot.

YES 10 NO 0

The article was declared passed.

ARTICLE V

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

George Koehler has come across some equipment, including some water meters, belonging to his father, former commissioner from 1981-1988. He offered the equipment to the District. The Commissioners agreed to accept the items with thanks.

George Adams made a motion that the Commissioners include, in the next billing, the Accounts Receivable figure in a prominent place. Brad Atwater seconded.

The motion was declared passed by a voice vote.

Sarah motioned to adjourn the meeting. Rob Drye seconded.

Meeting was adjourned by voice vote at 11:16 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Drye, clerk

**Plainfield Water District
Proposed 2007 Budget**

	2006	2006	2007
	Proposed	Actual	Proposed
INCOME			
Water Rent	82,000.00	78,096.26	72,000.00
District Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hydrant Service	1,750.00	1,250.00	1,750.00
Interest Income	50.00	133.88	50.00
Other Income			8,000.00
Transfer from Expendible			
Starting cash balance	3,546.77	3,456.77	10,212.63
	<u>87,346.77</u>	<u>82,936.91</u>	<u>92,012.63</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Administrative			
Officers Salaries	520.00	520.00	520.00
Officer Expenses	500.00	23.15	500.00
Clerical Salaries	450.00	100.00	450.00
Payroll Taxes	760.00	624.47	760.00
Postage	300.00	282.60	300.00
Office Expenses	1,500.00	1,272.90	1,500.00
Administrative/Legal	500.00	0.00	500.00
Insurance/Bonding	4,000.00	3,884.00	4,000.00
Total Administrative	<u>8,530.00</u>	<u>6,707.12</u>	<u>8,530.00</u>
Operations			
Maintenance-Labor	8,000.00	7,435.00	8,000.00
Maintenance-Supplies	2,500.00	2,384.31	2,500.00
Maintenance-Service	2,000.00	3,268.34	2,500.00
Utilities-Electricity	2,000.00	1,646.33	2,000.00
Utilities-Propane	1,200.00	671.43	1,200.00
Utilities-Telephone	1,000.00	870.63	1,000.00
Water Sample Tests	2,000.00	3,715.00	2,500.00
System Improvements	3,500.00	1,018.80	3,500.00
Total Operations	<u>22,200.00</u>	<u>21,009.84</u>	<u>23,200.00</u>
DEBT			
Principal	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
Interest	15,562.48	15,562.48	14,312.50
Tax Anticipation Notes repayment	0.00	0.00	0.00

Tax Anticipation Interest	0.00	79.11	0.00
Total Debt Service	40,562.48	40,641.59	39,312.50
TOTAL EXPENSES	71,292.48	68,358.55	71,042.50
Article IV (2005 Warrant)	5,500.00	4,365.73	0.00
Article IV (2006 Warrant)	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
Article IV (2007 Warrant)			5,000.00
	81,792.48	72,724.28	81,042.50

Plainfield Village Water District
Statement of Cash Flow for the year 2006

Opening Cash position	3,456.77
Water Rent	78,096.26
Other Income	1,383.88
Total Income	79,480.14
Admin Expenses	6,707.12
Operations	21,009.84
Bond Debt - Principal Reduction	25,000.00
Bond Debt - Interest	15,562.48
TAN notes - interest	79.11
Total operating disbursements	68,358.55
Capital Projects	
2005 Article 4	4,365.73
Net cash flow before TAN borrowings	6,755.86
Net TAN borrowings	0.00
Net change in cash balance	6,755.86
Ending Cash position	10,212.63

PLAINFIELD VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2006

ASSETS

Cash	10,213
Accounts receivable	20,923
Machinery and equipment	124,288
Buildings	10,000
Land and improvements	70,000
Tank/Well project	450,000
Total assets	<u>\$ 685,424</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Liabilities

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 0
Tax Anticipation Notes	0
Bond payable –NHMBB	275,000
Total liabilities	275,000

Net Assets

Unrestricted assets	410,424
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 685,424</u>

PLAINFIELD WEATHER 2006

(Observations by Doug Cogan)

MONTH	HIGH Temp(F)	LOW Temp(F)	MEAN Temp(F)	RAIN (Inches)	SNOW (Inches)	PRECIPITATION (Inches)
JANUARY	54	-2	28	2.30	18.25	3.78
FEBRUARY	61	-11	23	1.57	13.75	2.35
MARCH	75	1	31	1.35	5.50	1.68
APRIL	77	19	45	2.46	Trace	2.46
MAY	84	30	57	6.68		6.68
JUNE	93	42	66	8.99		8.99
JULY	93	48	72	5.89		5.89
AUGUST	96	42	67	4.18		4.18
SEPTEMBER	82	34	59	2.38		2.38
OCTOBER	79	25	48	6.76		6.76
NOVEMBER*	69	19	43	4.45	2.50	4.91
DECEMBER**	62	6	33	2.39	7.75	2.87
TOTALS	--	--	--	49.40	47.75	52.93
'06 AVG	58.0	37.1	47.6	--	--	--
10yr AVG	57.8	35.0	46.3	32.97	84.53	41.99

* Warmest November on record (since at least 1969)

** Warmest December on record

Daily high temperature records: Feb. 16, 61 degrees; Dec. 1, 62 degrees.

Daily low temperature records: None.

2006 high temp: 96 degrees F/Aug. 1; low temp : -11 degrees F/Feb. 28.

Wettest 24 hours: 3.16 inches/May 13-14; snowiest 24 hours: 11.00 inches/Feb. 25.

Date of last freeze: March 25, last frost: May 8; first frost: Oct. 17, first freeze: Oct. 22.

MARRIAGES- 2006**TOWN OF PLAINFIELD**

Date	Groom & Bride	Residence	Town of Issuance	Town of Marriage
2/4/06	Dozier, Christopher P King, Heather L.	Plainfield Lebanon	Lebanon	Lebanon
6/3/06	Perry, Nathan R. Slayton, Adrienne A	Plainfield Plainfield	Lebanon	Plainfield
6/30/06	Aldrich, Henry J. McGonis, Karen L.	Canaan Plainfield	Plainfield	Plainfield
7/1/06	Smith, David A Bollman, Kymberly A	Plainfield Plainfield	Plainfield	Plainfield
7/4/06	Rogers, Justin W Smith, Katrinia A	Plainfield Plainfield	Plainfield	Plainfield
7/23/06	Marsh, Jody C Bagley, Wendy J.	Plainfield Canaan	Canaan	Lebanon
8/3/06	Robillard, Robert D Osmer, Billie J	Plainfield Plainfield	Plainfield	Cornish
8/5/06	Daniels, Keith A McNamara, Kristian M	Plainfield Plainfield	Plainfield	Plainfield
9/9/06	Main, Ronald A Gruhn, Amy B	Plainfield Plainfield	Plainfield	Plainfield
9/23/06	Saunders, Leonard E Homeyer, Caren P	Plainfield Plainfield	Plainfield	Franeestown
10/6/06	Nadeau, Duane R Rice, Tara L.	Plainfield Plainfield	Plainfield	Plainfield
10/21/06	Grover, Alan K Thorburn, Anne M.	White River, Vt Plainfield	Plainfield	Plainfield
11/21/06	Litvinoff, Bram S Paganucci, Elizabeth M.	Plainfield Plainfield	Lebanon	Lebanon
12/08/06	Osmer, Chad E. McDonnell, Mary R.	Plainfield Plainfield	Plainfield	Plainfield

BIRTHS 2006 TOWN OF PLAINFIELD

DOB	Name	Place	Father	Mother
3/02/06	Norwalk, Aniken Albert	Lebanon	Norwalk, Kenneth	Auclair, Chante
3/29/06	Cote, Isaiah Marc	Lebanon	Cote, Dominic	Cote, Heather
4/19/06	Krein, William Gunnar	Lebanon	Krein, Derek	Krein, Barbara
5/21/06	Gleiser, Lucian Jacob	Lebanon	Gleiser, Marcelo	Gleiser, Kari
6/18/06	Hewett, Bennett Donovan	Lebanon	Hewett, Robert	Hewett, Nicole
8/17/06	Hall, Simon Craig	Lebanon	Hall, Thord	Hall, Christina
8/21/06	Lewis, Isaac William	Lebanon	Lewis, Micah	Lewis, Chelsea
10/1/06	Stewart, Lilly Julianna	Lebanon	Stewart, Edward	Stewart, Catherine
10/4/06	Tubbs, Trekk Nigel	Lebanon	Tubbs, Phillip	Tubbs, Erinn
10/6/06	Ramos-Glew, Augustin R	Lebanon	Ramos-Glew, Kevin	Ramos-Glew Victoria C.
10/8/06	Ball, Rebecca Ann	Lebanon	Ball, Timothy	Ball, Heather
11/13/06	Hines, Kyle Jeffrey	Lebanon	Hines, Ricky	Hines, Jean
11/13/06	Hines, Laura Jean	Lebanon	Hines, Ricky	Hines, Jean
12/07/06	McIntyre, Griffin T	Lebanon	McIntyre, Neal	McIntyre, Lyndsy

DEATHS 2006 TOWN OF PLAINFIELD

Date	Name	Place	Father	Mother
2/12/06	Erickson, Ronald	Lebanon	Erickson, Oscar	Anderson, Hjordis
2/17/06	Johnson, Julia	Lebanon	Johnson, Wilford	Derby, Avis
2/20/06	Strobel, Martha	Dover, Me	Merrihew, Dexter	Washburn, Vera
3/12/06	Milo, Diana	Claremont	Hughes, Gordon	Harlow, Joan
3/15/06	Smith, Ruth	Hanover	Sanborn, Joseph	Greenan, Laura
4/5/06	Voege, Frederick	Plainfield	Voege, Fred	Moeller, Frieda
4/21/06	Noda, Mayme	Lebanon	Kishi, Shozo	Hashizume, Chiyoko
4/28/06	Comstock, Augusta	Plainfield	Arnold, Henry	Blum, Sophia
5/12/06	Dole, Bettyann	Lebanon	Nunan, Kenneth	Bailey, Marion
5/20/06	Jackson, Geraldine	Meredith	Harriman, Arthur	St Cyr, Anistasia
5/30/06	Prescott, George	Lebanon	Unknown	Unknown
7/5/06	Jordan, Otis	Lebanon	Jordan, Otis	Hibbard, Mildred
7/19/06	Mulherin, Thomas	Plainfield	Mulherin, Patrick	Abher, Emma
9/22/06	Guarino, David	Lebanon	Guarino, Jerald	Cuttita, Joann
10/11/06	Earle, Robert	Lebanon	Earle, Robert	Hatch, Ruth
11/10/06	Theriault, Beverly	Plainfield	Dessert, Rene	Gault, Marion
12/2/06	Backofen, Walter	Plainfield	Backofen, Walter	Pfau, Bertha

**ANNUAL REPORT
of the
PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
2006**



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**ANNUAL REPORT
of the
PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2006

OFFICERS AND PERSONNEL OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

MODERATOR

Stephen Taylor

CLERK

Kelly Taylor

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Audra Bucklin
(Term expires 2007)

Doug Cogan
(Term expires 2008)

Myra Ferguson
(Term expires 2007)

Chris Forman
(Term expires 2009)

Carin Reynolds - Board Chair
(Term Expires 2009)

PLAINFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Ellen Langsner

CENTRAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Russell Collins

DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Nancy Brogden, Ph.D.

ACCOUNTING SUPERVISOR

Beth Bierwirth

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Joan Nierenberg

**PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Sullivan, ss:

School District of Plainfield

To the inhabitants of the School District of Plainfield, in the County of Sullivan and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plainfield Elementary School in the Village of Meriden in said Plainfield, New Hampshire, on Saturday, the tenth day of March, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. to act on the following subjects:

Article I. To see what action the District will take with respect to reports of District officers.

Article II. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$325,000 to install a sprinkler system and to treat the wood interior with a fire retardant, and necessary work associated with these projects, at the Plainfield Elementary School and to authorize the issuance of \$325,000 by bonds or notes for the School District in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Ch.33) and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,895 for the purpose of payment for the first year interest payment on the bond. (The School Board recommends this action.) (2/3 ballot vote required)

Article III. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,157,879 for the support of schools, for payment of salaries to school district officials and agents, and for the payments of the statutory obligations of the District for the 2007-2008 fiscal year. (The School Board recommends this action.)

Article IV. To see if the District will vote to approve the cost items included in the three-year collective bargaining agreement reached during good faith negotiations between the Plainfield School Board and the Plainfield Education Association, which calls for the following increase in teacher salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2007-2008	\$ <u>74,767</u>
2008-2009	\$ <u>85,563</u>
2009-2010	\$ <u>91,233</u>

and further to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$74,767 (seventy-four thousand, seven hundred and sixty-seven Dollars) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. (The School Board recommends this action.)

Article V. To see if the District will vote to approve the cost items included in the three-year collective bargaining agreement reached during good faith negotiations between the Plainfield School Board and the Plainfield Support Staff Education Association, which call for the following increase in support staff salaries and benefits:

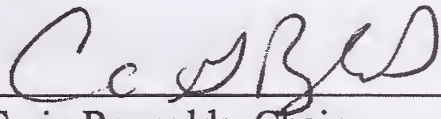
Year	Estimated Increase
2007-2008	\$ <u>34,117</u>
2008-2009	\$ <u>31,039</u>
2009-2010	\$ <u>31,692</u>

and further to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,117 (thirty-four thousand, one hundred and seventeen Dollars) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. (The School Board recommends this action.)

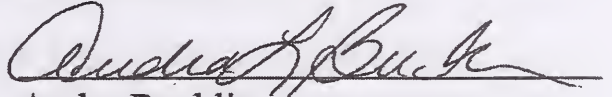
- Article VI. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 (twenty-five thousand dollars) toward the salary and benefits to hire an Assistant Principal for up to a 50% position for the 2007-2008 fiscal year. (The School Board recommends this action.)
- Article VII. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 (twenty thousand dollars) to be placed in the Building Maintenance Reserve Fund created in 1997 pursuant to RSA 35:1-c, for the purpose of repairs, maintenance, and/or renovations to the Plainfield Elementary School facility. (The School Board recommends this action.)
- Article VIII. To see if the District will vote to instruct the Plainfield School Board to limit the total combined state and local school tax assessment increases to no more than the annual percentage increases as established by the Cost of Living Adjustment for Social Security. (Petitioned Warrant Article) (The School Board does not recommend this action.)
- Article IX. To transact any other business that may come before this meeting.

(NOTE: Election of School District officials will take place at the same time and place as election of town officials on Tuesday, March 13, 2007).

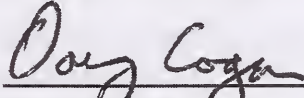
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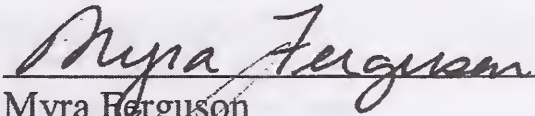
Carin Reynolds, Chair



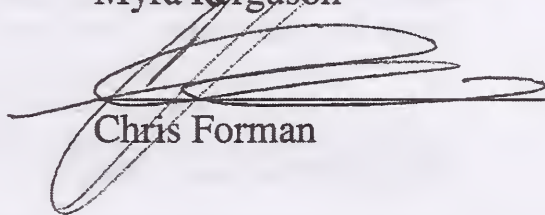
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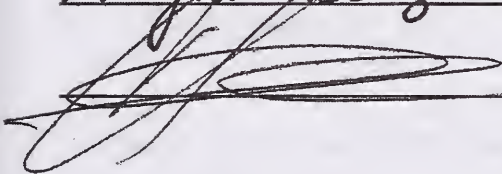
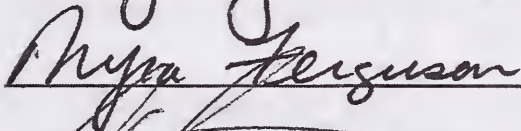
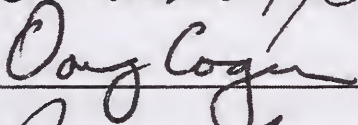
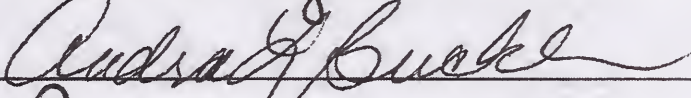


Myra Ferguson



Chris Forman

A true copy. Attest:



**PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

To the inhabitants of the School District of Plainfield, in the county Sullivan and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Plainfield Elementary School in the Village of Meriden in said Plainfield, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. to act on the following subject:

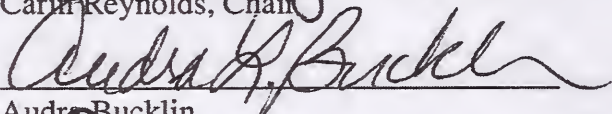
Article I. To choose by ballot a Moderator, a Clerk, and a Treasurer for a one-year term, and two School Board Members for three-year terms. (Polls will open at 10:00 a.m. and will close at 7:00 p.m. unless the Town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour.)

NOTE: All other school business will be considered at the School District Meeting to be held on Saturday, March 10, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. at the Plainfield Elementary School.

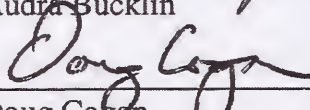
Given under our hands at said Plainfield this fifth day of February, 2007.



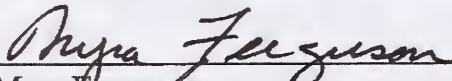
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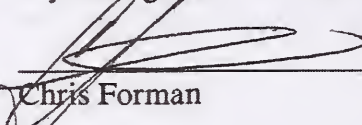
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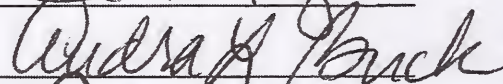
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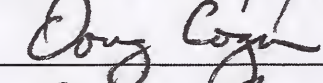


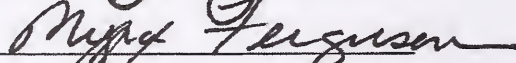
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A true copy. Attest:









Plainfield School Board

**PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES
ANNUAL MEETING – MARCH 3, 2006 – MARCH 25, 2006**

At a legal meeting of the voters of the School District of Plainfield, Moderator Stephen H. Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. on Friday, March 3, 2006, at the Plainfield School in the Village of Meriden in said Plainfield.

The Reverend Susan Gregory-Davis delivered the invocation. There was a brief moment of silence in remembrance of the Putnam family. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

The Moderator introduced the Clerk, School Board, Professional Staff (Principal Ellen Langsner, Finance Director Bill Moorman, and Superintendent Russell Collins) and Legal Counsel (Attorney Cappy Nunlist).

The rules of the meeting were explained by The Moderator.

The Moderator then read the Certification of Posting. Ballot boxes were determined to be empty.

A motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the entire warrant. The vote by voice was in the affirmative.

ARTICLE I: The following resolution was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District accept the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, and other officers as printed in the annual report.

An addendum to the article was made to include the 8th Grade Graduation Awards.

Teacher's Award: Alyssa Reetz; Plainfield Education Association Scholarship Award: Hilary Lynd; PTA Citizenship Award: Kelsey Hardy; Cory Taber Award: Adam McNamara; The Herbert E. Ward Memorial Essay Contest: Hilary Lynd (1st), Olivia Fauver (2nd), Kelsey Hardy (3rd), Alix Barnicle (4th), Julia Moore (5th), Alyssa Reetz (Honorable Mention)

The vote by voice was in the affirmative and it was so declared.

ARTICLE II: The following resolution was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,943,249 for the support of schools, for payment of salaries to school district officials and agents, and for the payments of the statutory obligations of the District for the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

Board Member Carin Reynolds explained that the proposed budget showed only a 3.6% increase over last year. While going over the budget line by line, the Technology Group was thanked for their hard work and contributions.

After much discussion, the vote by secret written ballot resulted in:

YES 154 NO 156

The vote was in the negative, the resolution defeated, and it was so declared.

A motion was then offered and seconded to take up **Article VIII** out of order for consideration at this time.

A vote by show of hands to take up **Article VIII** out of order was inconclusive, so the vote went to secret written ballot.

The vote by secret written ballot to take up **Article VIII** out of order resulted in:

YES 193 NO 97

The vote was in the affirmative, it was so declared, and the meeting proceeded to **Article VIII.**

ARTICLE VIII: The following resolution was offered by Carl Strong, moved and seconded that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District vote to instruct the Plainfield School Board to use the following Warrant Article formats for District approval of any collective bargaining agreements between the Board and the Plainfield Education Association and the Plainfield Support Staff Association.

Article A: To see if the District will vote to approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached during good faith negotiations between the Plainfield School Board and the Plainfield Education Association, which call for the following increase in teacher salaries and benefits

(Year) \$ _____

and further to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of _____ Dollars (\$ _____) for the (year) fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.

Article B: To see if the District will vote to approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached during good faith negotiations between the Plainfield School Board and the Plainfield Support Staff Education Association, which calls for the following increase in support staff wages and benefits

(Year) \$ _____

and further to see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of _____ Dollars

(\$ _____) for the (year) fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.

After much discussion on this article, the question was called.

The vote by secret written ballot resulted in:

YES 163

NO 137

The vote was in the affirmative, the resolution adopted, and it was so declared.

After some debate, there was a motion to reconsider action under **Article II** and it was seconded.

The vote to reconsider action under **Article II** by secret written ballot resulted in:

YES 138

NO 150

The vote was in the negative and it was so declared

Carin Reynolds moved to adjourn the meeting until March 24 at 6:30 p.m. There was a point of order regarding “adjournment” or “recess”. Reynolds withdrew her motion to adjourn.

Moderator Taylor read RSA applicable to continuing the meeting after seven days. It was noted that public notice must be given. [The checklist from this meeting must be the one used at the continued meeting]

A vote by show of hands determining the meeting day resulted in:

FRIDAY

105

SATURDAY 130

The Moderator declared that the meeting would continue on Saturday, March 25, at 1:00 p.m., then it was moved and seconded to table **Articles III and IV** until that time. By voice vote it was voted in the affirmative and so declared.

ARTICLE V: The following resolution was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District authorize the School Board to execute and deliver an easement deed to the Meriden Village Water District granting to two municipal water wells together with protective easements for said water wells on the District's land in the form and under the terms of the School Board determines to be the best interest of the District.

The vote by voice was in the affirmative, the resolution adopted and it was so declared.

ARTICLE VI: The following resolution was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 to fund the abandonment of the School's septic system and to connect to the Town's waste water facilities, and authorize the withdrawal of \$40,000 from the Building Maintenance Reserve Fund created in 1997 pursuant to RSA 35:1-C, for that purpose.

The vote by voice was unanimously in the affirmative, the resolution was adopted and it was so declared.

It was moved and seconded to table **Article VII**. It was voted by voice in the affirmative and so declared.

A motion was made and seconded to reconsider **Article II** when the recessed meeting reconvened March 25. The vote by voice was in the affirmative and it was so declared.

The meeting then recessed at 9:45 p.m.

The meeting continued on Saturday, March 25, 2006. Moderator Stephen H. Taylor called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Taylor introduced the Clerk, School Board (including new member Chris Forman), Attorney David Bradley, Bill Moorman, Russell Collins, and Principal Langsner.

Taylor explained that the purpose of the meeting was to reconsider Article II and discuss and vote on **Articles III, IV, and VII**.

The rules of the meeting were explained.

Board member Carin Reynolds explained that the Board planned to offer four (4) motions under Article II. Reynolds went on to explain that several long and thoughtful meetings were held after the March 3rd meeting to come up with a budget that would meet the concerns of all constituents. The budget being offered today now reflects a 2.85% spending increase (down from the 3.6% offered on March 3). This represents the smallest increase in a decade, she said.

Reynolds also explained that Article **VIII** will not be in effect until next year. However, the teachers recommended that there be a separate vote for their salaries.

ARTICLE II: The following resolution was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted.

Resolved: That Article II be divided into three questions and each question voted on separately, the first question being the approval of the second year cost items in the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Plainfield Education Association, the second question being the approval of the second year cost items in the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Plainfield Support Staff Association, and the third being the rest of the budget with those cost items taken out.

The vote by voice was in the affirmative, the resolution adopted, and it was so declared.

ARTICLE II (Part A): The following resolution was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District vote to approve the cost items of the second year of the two-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Plainfield School Board and the Plainfield Education Association which calls for an estimated increase in teacher salaries (including step increases) and benefits of \$92,049 (6.1%) and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$92,049, such sum representing the estimated increase in teacher salaries and benefits for the 2006-2007 fiscal year brought about by this Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Voting then began on **Article II (Part A)**. While the votes were being counted, former board member Judy Houde-Hardy recognized Steve and Donna Beaupre for their many years of service to the school and announced the upcoming “Beaupre Community Service Day.”

The vote by secret written ballot resulted in:

YES	270	NO	180
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The vote was in the affirmative, the resolution adopted, and it was so declared.

ARTICLE II (Part B): The following resolution was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District vote to approve the cost items of the second year of the two-year Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the Plainfield School Board and the Plainfield Support Staff Association which calls for an estimated increase in support staff salaries (including step increases) and benefits of \$30,207 (7.5%) and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,207, such sum representing the estimated increase in support staff salaries and benefits for the 2006-2007 fiscal year brought about by this Collective Bargaining Agreement.

The vote by secret written ballot resulted in:

YES	304	NO	143
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The vote was in the affirmative, the resolution adopted, and it was so declared.

ARTICLE II (Part C): The following resolution was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,783,495 for the support of schools, for payment of salaries to school district officials and agents, and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the District for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. This sum does not include the estimated increases in salaries and benefits brought about by the two Collective Bargaining Agreements.

After some discussion of the operating budget, the following amendment was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted (offered by Tony Quimby).

Resolved: That the District vote to raise and appropriate the additional sum of \$37,498 for the support of schools and for the payments of statutory obligations of the District for the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

The vote by secret written ballot resulted in:

YES 172

NO 256

The vote was in the negative, the amendment lost, and it was so declared.

The following amendment was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted (offered by Rob Constantine).

Resolved: That the town amend the proposed operating budget from a sum of \$4,783,495 to a sum of \$4,793,232, an increase of \$9,737, with the increased appropriation to fund school board stipends (Category 9, Line 1 of proposed budget outlined in the 2005 Annual Report on pages 138-144).

The vote by secret written ballot resulted in:

YES 69

NO 336

The vote was in the negative, the amendment lost, and it was so declared.

Voting then began on the original operating budget resolution that was offered in the amount of \$4,783,495.

The vote by secret written ballot resulted in:

YES 262

NO 142

The vote was in the affirmative, the resolution adopted, and it was so declared.

ARTICLE III: The following resolution was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 toward the salary and benefits to hire an Assistant Principal for up to a 50% position for the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

The vote by secret written ballot resulted in:

YES 105

NO 259

The vote was in the negative, the resolution lost, and it was so declared.

ARTICLE IV: The following resolution was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,500 toward the salary and benefits to hire one Educational Assistant for the Kindergarten program for the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

The vote by secret written ballot resulted in:

YES 167 NO 163

The vote was in the affirmative, the resolution adopted, and it was so declared.

ARTICLE VII: The following resolution was offered, moved and seconded that it be adopted.

Resolved: That the District raise and appropriate up to \$20,000 (with such amount to be funded from the year end undesignated fund balance available on July 1) to be placed in the Building Maintenance Reserve Fund created in 1997 pursuant to RSA 35:1-C, for the purpose of repairs, maintenance, and/or renovations to the Plainfield Elementary School Facility.

The vote by secret written ballot resulted in:

YES 179 NO 55

The vote was in the affirmative, the resolution adopted, and it was so declared.

ARTICLE IX: Other Business

It was suggested that the town form a ways and means committee to investigate alternatives for funding education.

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

KELLY TAYLOR
PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

**PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES
ELECTION MEETING – MARCH 14, 2006**

The election of School District officials took place at the same time and place as the election of Town officials on Tuesday, March 14, 2006, at the Plainfield School in the Village of Meriden, in said Plainfield. Moderator Stephen H. Taylor declared the meeting open at 9:55 a.m. and read the School District Warrant and certification of posting provided by the School District Clerk. The ballot boxes were determined empty.

The polls closed at 7:07 p.m.

ARTICLE I: Balloting results were as follows:

For School Board (3 Years):

Christian K. Forman	370
Dennis Girouard	262
Carin G. Reynolds	380
Maria Guzman	6
Jason Huett	5
Boone Rondeau	4
Nancy Filiault	2
Kris Flynn	1
Rob Drye	1
Jack McNellis	1
Mike Schafer	1
Nate Perry	1
Christine McKim	1
Jesse Stalker	1
Jerry Burt	1
Lynn Freeman	1
Margaret Drye	1
Eric Brann	1
Bill Taylor	1
Kenneth Weeks	1
Gail Schafer	1
Kevin Girouard	1
Brad Atwater	1
Alan Reetz	1

**Elected: Christian K. Forman
 Carin G. Reynolds**

For School District Treasurer (1 Year):

Jeffrey C. Moore	557
Dennis Girouard	2
Jack McNellis	1
Deb Beaupre	1
Don Garfield	1
Vern Braswell	1

Elected: Jeffrey C. Moore

For School District Moderator (1 Year):

Stephen H. Taylor	563
Paul Franklin	3
Laura Ward	1
Doug Chapman	1
Nate Perry	1
John Woodley	1
Gary Ward	1
Dennis Girouard	1

Elected: Stephen H. Taylor

For School District Clerk (1 Year):

Kelly Taylor	564
Dennis Girouard	1
James Taylor	1

Elected: Kelly Taylor

Kelly Taylor was sworn into office by Stephen Taylor during open meeting.

Stephen Taylor was sworn into office by Kelly Taylor during open meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

KELLY TAYLOR
PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

Note: Christian Forman was sworn into office by Kelly Taylor on March 15, 2006, Carin Reynolds was sworn into office by Kelly Taylor on March 16, 2006, and Jeffrey Moore was sworn into office by Kelly Taylor on March 18, 2006.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

The hiring of Ellen Langsner as Interim Principal for the 2005-2006 school year was discussed in last year's report. After doing a full search in the spring of 2006, the School Board, with great pleasure, offered Ms. Langsner the permanent position. During this year the Board developed a new job description outlining the responsibilities and outcomes for the Principal. In order to assist the Principal in meeting these exhaustive tasks, the Board will again be asking for funding for a half time Assistant Principal. (Article VI on this year's Warrant.)

William Moorman, our SAU Financial Officer, retired at the end of the 2005-2006 school year, but unfortunately the person hired to replace him left the position in August. Beth Bierwirth, the school's accountant, has smoothly transitioned into the position as a half time financial specialist (as well as being the Secretary to the Principal).

At the last Annual District Meeting, voters approved taking money from the Building Maintenance Reserve Fund to abandon our old septic system and connect to the Town's waste water facilities. During the spring of 2006 the Board put the work out to bid. The bid came in above the amount appropriated, so Bill Taylor worked with Steve Halleran, the select board, and the town road crew to provide labor for the project. With this significant joint effort the project stayed within budget. Our appreciation goes to all involved in this endeavor.

We were again honored with the designation of being a Blue Ribbon School for the 2005-2006 school year. Blue Ribbon Achievement Awards are given to schools with outstanding school volunteer programs. One opportunity to understand volunteerism and community service was during our celebration of the retirement of two much loved school employees, Steve and Donna Beaupré. During our first annual Beaupré Community Service Day, students learned what community service is by working with staff and community members to make our community a better place to live. Students cleared and cut trails on the school property, worked on making our playground safer, and beautified our gardens. Students spent the afternoon with local experts using our local environment to extend our science curriculum. To continue this community service work throughout the school year, many classes have adopted a garden or project.

We will again see staffing changes next year as junior high educators Susan McGee and Denis Reisch will be retiring and teachers Debbie Foltyn (speech and language) and Heather Gallagher (grade 5) will be relocating. Replacing these teachers will be difficult given the requirements of No Child Left Behind. Small rural communities have often had teachers teach more than one subject as a way of keeping the school budget within reason. Now all teachers must be "highly qualified" (HQT) in each subject they teach. The standard becomes more complicated for junior high teachers. Teachers can become highly qualified in a

number of ways, including going back to school and getting 30 credit hours in a particular subject, taking a specific subject area test, or producing a portfolio of documentation of their knowledge in a particular area.

In Plainfield, we have historically had teachers teach two or three subjects. While they are all competent teachers in these subjects, they may not necessarily meet the new standard in all subjects they teach. This has created challenges in scheduling given that we do not have as many teachers available to teach a particular subject. While two of our junior high teachers are pursuing HQT in additional areas, we will attempt to hire teachers who are dual certified or who are willing to pursue HQT in another area. Given that the candidate pool for dual certified teachers is small, replacing Sue and Denis will be difficult.

In response to last year's loss of the Putnam family, classmates and community members have worked to create a lasting memorial. The idea of the Putnam Playground gained momentum and support. Students selected playground equipment that would appeal to students in the intermediate grades as well as be accessible to younger students. Students wanted something that would reflect the energy and athletic interests of Ben and Josh. Fundraising efforts for this endeavor exceeded expectations allowing us to select additional equipment making the playground friendlier to children who have a variety of physical limitations.

Last June, New Hampshire's Department of Education approved new curriculum guidelines called Grade Level Expectancies (GLE's). Our curriculum committees are reviewing Plainfield School's curriculum documents in order to make sure we meet or exceed these new standards. Using the newly designed revision process that solicits input from constituents in a variety of ways, proposed changes to our curriculum will be presented to the public at announced School Board meetings.

Nancy Brogden, the Director of Special Services, reports that the special education team is gearing up to implement the new State system of data collection called "Easy IEP". This new system is requiring our case managers to do all the extensive data entry for each student on-line within very strict timelines, a process far more time consuming than the previous system. Thankfully, we have been able to buy laptop computers through a grant to facilitate this process. As early intervention services are required by the 2004 version of the Individuals with Disabilities Improvement Act (IDEIA '04), we have added a school social worker for one morning a week. This individual works with children with and without disabilities and is paid from the IDEA grant. The hope is that early intervention can avoid some referrals for special education. Other areas of early intervention include assessing children on a regular basis to determine needs, and supporting general education teachers who implement research based programd to meet the diverse needs of their

students before referring to special education. As of December 1, 2006, 79 Plainfield students in preschool through grade 12 were being served with individualized programs, fifty-four through Individual Education Programs (IEPs) and twenty-five through 504 plans.

This year, besides the article for the Assistant Principal, the warrant will include an article to raise funds for the Building Reserve Fund, and a bond article. A bond is being requested to fund a package to comply with the State Fire Marshal's inspection and report. This includes a sprinkler system, treatment of the interior wood walls, and work necessary to complete these projects (such as abating some asbestos in the work areas and replacing some lighting that may have to be moved).

As you can see it has been a busy year in a number of areas, requiring the work of many. We wish to thank the members of the various committees, the volunteers, and the staff for working to continue to provide excellent programs and a safe facility for the Plainfield students, and the community members for supporting these efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell Collins, Superintendent
Ellen Langsner, Principal
Nancy Brogden, Director of Special Services



SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

Education funding, school health and wellness policies and No Child Left Behind initiatives not only received a great deal of media coverage in the past year, but have also kept the Plainfield School Board increasingly busy as well. From budgeting and facility maintenance challenges, to policy review, to assessing staffing and curricular needs, the Board's work is a constant juggling act between providing services that meet federal, state, and local quality mandates and our ability to pay for them.

With that in mind, the Board is pleased to present for voter approval new employment contracts that represent the lowest dollar increase since the year 2000. In addition, we have held the proposed operational budget increase to 3.6%. Mandated increases in special education and employee benefit costs account for most of the increase, but the budget also reflects the need to relieve some staffing shortages and scheduling difficulties. As we all know, it is increasingly difficult to work within the framework of a state educational funding system that is subject to legislative change on a yearly basis and that relies primarily on local property tax dollars that do not necessarily reflect an individual's ability to pay. That said, the School Board and Administration must provide appropriate educational opportunities to our town's children and keep them first in the decision making process. The ultimate decision as to whether we have struck an appropriate balance between our educational mission and community finances are for you, the voters, to decide. The Board has worked throughout the year to maintain open lines of communication with the community, and we look forward to joining with you to discuss these items at the Plainfield School District Meeting to be held at the school on Saturday, March 10, at 10 am.

Contract Negotiation

The Board successfully reached a negotiated settlement with the Plainfield Educational Association (teacher's union) and the Plainfield Support Staff Association for three year- employment contracts. As a result of the Town vote last year, these agreements will be voted on separately at the School District Meeting.

Consistent with our goal to increase communication with the community and to educate us all about the contract negotiation process, the Board held a public forum in September before negotiations commenced to provide information on the collective bargaining process and to solicit views about the contracts. The featured speaker was Dr. Theodore Comstock, Executive Director and General Counsel of the New Hampshire School Board Association. Mr. Comstock has over 25 years experience negotiating teacher contracts and is one of the foremost authorities in the state law that governs the contract negotiation process, the interaction between school boards and unions, the fact-finding and mediation

processes, and typical salary and contract language issues. The forum was well attended. Following the presentation and question and answer period, the Board listened to comments and views of those who attended.

Following through on suggestions from the community, the Board consulted periodically before and during the contract negotiation with Dr. Comstock to get his input and expertise throughout the process.

The primary goal of the School Board in entering into the negotiations was to reduce or at least cap employee health care costs. Secondly, the Board sought to implement some aspect of a performance-based component to teacher pay. Both these goals were achieved. The teacher and support staff contracts being presented at town meeting include significant savings in health insurance costs. In the previous teacher contract, the school was obligated to pay 81% of the premium for the more costly Point of Service (POS) plan, and 82.5% of the premium for the health maintenance (HMO) plan. In the new contract, the professional staff agreed to a change in which the district would pay 83% of the HMO premium only. Staff wishing to continue the POS plan would have to pay for the additional cost out of their own pocket. The Support Staff contract restructured health benefits in the same way. These changes represent a collective savings in the first year of the contract of approximately \$22,000; and these savings will carry forward over each of the three years of the contracts. With respect to performance pay, the proposed teacher contract introduces the concept that “step” movement up the grid for years of service would no longer be automatic: teachers designated as being “in need of considerable improvement” under the school performance evaluation plan would not receive a step increase. To introduce performance-based compensation to the support staff contract, those staff members who further their education and professional credentials by achieving the state regulated Para II certificate or higher will now receive an additional 2.5% one-time increase. Finally, pay increases for the teachers (3.5%) and support staff (3.75% in years 1 and 2 and 3.5% in year 3) are in line with local and state benchmarks, as well as the cost of living metrics.

Budget

Although budget management is only one of the Board’s many responsibilities, we were particularly careful this year to work hard to keep the operational budget expenditure increase below 5%. As usual, the Board devoted significant time and effort on this process, holding many meetings, public forums and working sessions, including with the Finance Committee, to reach a budget that we feel appropriately balances the educational needs of the school with the financial constraints of the community. The result is a proposed 3.4% budget increase that is driven largely by mandated increases in special education and employee benefit costs, but also reflects our need to relieve staffing shortages and scheduling difficulties. The Plainfield School District Expenditure Report in this

Town Report lays out the budget in detail. The Board will also give an in-depth presentation at the School District Meeting.

School Board Goals

Each fall during the annual School Board retreat, the Board reflects on the past year and sets goals for the next twelve months. This year, the Board's goals included: reviewing and formalizing our curriculum review process; working with the Facility Committee on building needs; reviewing administrative job descriptions; continuing to update the School Policy Manual and working to improve communication; and working with the Town to share resources and provide services.

Despite the considerable amount of time necessarily devoted to professional and support staff negotiations and to the annual budget process, we are pleased to have achieved most of these goals. The Board reviewed the present curriculum review process and worked with Principal Langsner and Superintendent Collins to formalize that process including a renewed emphasis at the Board level. We reviewed and acted upon numerous recommendations of the Facility Committee and spent considerable time reviewing financial options for funding building needs, including installation of a sprinkler system and other large maintenance items. (A public hearing regarding a bond to finance the sprinkler system and related life safety requirements was scheduled to be held February 15.) The Board also worked hard to complete a comprehensive job description for the Principal position. Additionally, the Board made several important revisions to the school Policy Manual, including those related to Wellness and athletics, and held a joint meeting with the town Recreation Committee, the School Athletic Committee and representatives from town management to review the town/school athletic structure.

The Board also continued to strive for timely and effective communication with the community. The Board met the two components of its communication goal with the creation and distribution of the third annual School Profile and by holding a public forum on contract negotiations. In addition, School Board members continued to write the monthly "Update From the Plainfield School Board" and "Black Hawk Happenings" for the school and town newsletters, distributed a communication survey to help assess the effectiveness of the various ways we communicate with the community, and tried to keep the website up to date with important information. And, of course, all School Board meetings, which are held every other Monday, are open to the public for those who wish to hear first-hand the work of the Board and offer their own comments and suggestions. (Visit the School Board section of the school website, www.plainfieldschool.org, for a calendar of Board meeting dates, minutes of previous meetings, and other information concerning the workings of the Board.)

Committee Work

In addition to bi-weekly School Board meetings, school Board members each participate in, and often chair, committees set up by the Board to pro-actively address and focus in-depth on areas of increasing importance to the school.

Facility Committee

During the past year the Facility Committee continued to develop and implement a five-year master plan for the Plainfield School building and grounds. One major accomplishment in 2006 was the abandonment of the old septic system and connection with the Meriden Village Water District. Despite receiving bids from outside contractors that were in the mid \$70,000 range, the final cost of this project was kept to the \$40,000 budget by keeping the project “inside” in a unique cooperation between the Town and the School. The school completed the project with help from its facility manager, the Facility Committee, the Meriden Village Water District and employees from the town road crew. It was an extraordinary demonstration of town/school cooperation that illustrates the best ways in which this community works together. The Board extends its sincerest thanks to the town employees who kept this project on budget, and to the Town Administrator and Select Board who endorsed this cooperative effort.

An ongoing focus of the Facility Committee is energy-related projects to improve comfort and cut down on the school’s fuel bills. Four rooftop heating and ventilation units were refurbished and a master controller installed last summer at a cost of \$20,500 (with monies reserved from the 2005/06 budget). The maintenance budget for the current fiscal year was raised from \$10,000 to \$30,000. Approximately \$20,000 will be expended for added insulation and related carpentry work in the back wing of the building. Another \$6,400 has been spent to extend the chimney from the school’s boiler to improve draft and reduce the occurrences of ventilation back drafting. New gymnasium doors to meet code requirements cost \$2,000.

The Facility Committee has identified many other maintenance and capital improvement projects as part of its five-year master plan. These include safety improvements and expansion of the school parking lot, redesign and renovation of the 7th and 8th grade bathroom areas, replacement of windows in the original building (due to rot), repairing exterior wall sheathing and adding clapboards to back wing, and upgrading the lighting system to improve lighting quality and energy efficiency. The combined cost of these and other identified projects is likely to exceed \$300,000. In future years, funding of these projects may require issuance of a bond and/or increases to the maintenance budget and the Building Maintenance Reserve Fund (which has a current

balance of \$59,000), In the fall of 2006, Plainfield Fire Chief Dave Best and the State Fire Marshal informed the School Board that the school must commence work toward the installation of a sprinkler system in order to comply with life and fire safety code requirements. After exploring all avenues and working with the state and local fire chief, the Facility Committee developed, and the Board approved, a “life safety package” to meet these requirements, including installation of the sprinkler system, application of fire retardant on interior wood surfaces, replacement of selected windows to improve egress, and asbestos abatement above the 7th and 8th grade bathrooms (where a sprinkler head must be installed). Contract estimates are being gathered for a bond to fund completion of this work. Preliminary estimates at the time of this writing place the bond at approximately \$300,000.

Health Insurance

The Health Insurance Committee focus continued to be on locating and evaluating alternative health insurance options that maintain quality coverage while lowering, or at least capping, the cost of health insurance for both the district and its employees. A considerable amount of time was spent exploring the feasibility and availability of Consumer Driven Health Plans (HRAs and HSAs) that offer high quality coverage at a low cost based on a high deductible model.

The Committee first completed a comparative analysis of the options available to public employees through the state’s two largest carriers – Cigna and Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) – and then compared those offerings to the newly available Pilgrim HMO plan. Cigna and BCBS both follow corporate policies that require public employees to purchase through one of two insurance brokers. This means that as a public employer, if the school chooses to offer Cigna or BCBS, the two networks with the most comprehensive networks of providers in the state, it must sign up through one of these brokers. Pilgrim is a non-profit group out of Massachusetts that has recently extended its network northward to our region. At the time of the Committee and Board’s initial assessment, there were many Vermont and some New Hampshire providers that were not included in the Pilgrim network and the savings, in comparison to the reduced quality, were not significant. The committee will continue to watch its growth and success within the region.

In regards to the consumer driven health plan model, Board members Bucklin and Forman took a particular interest in gathering information for the committee and Board to review, only to find that while both Cigna and BCBS offer consumer driven plans, the district’s provider, SchoolCare, does not currently offer that option and the LGC option that

the town currently subscribes to is based on moderate increases in deductibles and does not offer the substantial savings typically associated with HRA and HAS plans.

Finally, when faced with limited new options yet still wanting to find ways to manage costs, the Committee recommended further education for district employees to encourage enrollment in the HMO option. Based upon the earlier comparative analysis, committee members felt that there were few differences between the quality of HMO and POS coverage. As a result we invited our SchoolCare representative to address employees prior to the open enrollment period in June and again during the contract negotiations cycle. The proposed contract, which limits the district contribution to a percentage of the HMO only, offers significant health insurance savings to the district as well as to employees who opt to switch to the HMO. However, the committee will continue to seek options that offer even greater savings. Because the proposed contract includes new language that allows for changes to health insurance coverage during the term of the contract through mutual agreement of the District and the union, there is the opportunity to take advantage of future savings as options change over time.

Athletic Committee

The Athletic Committee continues to meet on a monthly basis and has provided policy guidance as well as operational support to the Board and the school in general for our sports programs. To date, the Athletic Committee: developed a post season survey for parents and student athletes that will support the development of our sports programs in the future; worked with the town athletic commission on a plan to transfer 5th & 6th baseball & softball to school auspices; developed a policy regarding coaches skills and first-aid training; reviewed and made recommendations regarding the school athletic budget; and coordinated volunteer support for numerous school sporting programs including the first Plainfield Soccer Cup.

In the coming year, the Athletic Committee will be working to develop a set of policy recommendations for the Board regarding competitive try-outs for 7th & 8th grade sports, 'play-time' for 7th & 8th grade student-athletes; and the ability for student-athletes to play multiple school sponsored sports in the same season.

Other Committees

School Board members were active in other committee work as well, including representation on the town KUA Study Committee, and the Policy Committee which, on a continual basis, reviews the school Board policy manual with an eye to keeping it current in light of ever-changing

state and federal laws, regulations, and court cases as well as changes in society and the community.

Health and Wellness Council

The Board also continued to be represented on the school's Health and Wellness Council (formerly the Nutrition Committee), which this year brought forth a key new school policy on Wellness "Nutrition and Physical Activity For a Healthy Lifestyle". Driven by a need to comply with new federal regulations, this policy was the result of extensive research by and expertise of the Council members, and community input. As stated in the school's policy, scientific research has identified a positive relationship between adequate nutrition, physical activity, and academic success, and the School District strives to promote a healthy school by supporting wellness, including good nutrition and regular physical activity as a part of a total learning environment. Considerable research by the committee and thoughtful balancing of a need to promote and model a healthy lifestyle while not impinging unduly on parental choice led to the creation and adoption of a balanced policy for our school. The Council also continues its terrific work in the school garden, which brings old and young together to learn about our farming heritage and the whims of "mother earth." The garden also teaches us to adapt to one another--to be tolerant, creative, persevere and enjoy.

The Board would like to thank the many community members who have contributed their time and knowledge to service on Board and school committees. These individuals and committees are vital to the work of the Board. They devote their time and expertise to specialized issues that ultimately results in better, more informed decision-making by the Board, and a better school and educational experience for our children. It is no wonder that for the second year in a row the school was recognized by the state as a "Blue Ribbon School" for an outstanding level of volunteer involvement.

Respectfully submitted,

Carin G. Reynolds
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PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT – BUDGET ANALYSIS

2006/07 Surplus –

We expect to end the 2006/07 school year with a surplus of approximately \$26,000. With less than half of the school year remaining, we have not carried this amount into the 2007/08 revenue column. If we end the 2006/07 school year with this surplus, it will be used as a 2007/08 revenue. This year we expect to have a savings in high school tuition (\$56,000). We have encountered significantly higher costs in Special Education transportation (\$19,000). In addition, we will be overspending salaries due to post-retirement benefits (\$28,000).

2007/08 Expenditures –

Proposed expenditures for the 2007/08 school year total \$5,157,879, a \$169,628 (3.40%) increase over this year's budget of \$4,988,251. Highlights of the Budget are as follows:

<i>Approved 2006/07 Budget</i>	<i>4,988,251</i>
<i>Increases:</i>	
<i>Salary Increases for Total Staff</i>	<i>29,815</i>
<i>Benefit Allocation for Total Staff</i>	<i>94,469</i>
<i>Co-Curricular/Athletic</i>	<i>20,956</i>
<i>Regular Education (Books, Supplies, Equipment, Software, Contracted Services, Dues/Fees)</i>	<i>14,424</i>
<i>Special Education (Books, Supplies, Equipment, Software, Contracted Services, Dues/Fees)</i>	<i>23,600</i>
<i>Transportation – Regular Education</i>	<i>5,800</i>
<i>Transportation – Special Education</i>	<i>35,000</i>
<i>High School Tuition</i>	<i>16,860</i>
<i>Subtotal increases</i>	<i>240,924</i>
<i>Decreases:</i>	
<i>Sewer Fees</i>	<i>(38,000)</i>
<i>Federal/State Grants</i>	<i>(8,940)</i>
<i>Debt Service</i>	<i>(4,356)</i>
<i>Building Repair (Transfer from Reserve Fund)</i>	<i>(20,000)</i>
<i>Subtotal Decreases</i>	<i>(71,296)</i>
<i>Total net increase</i>	<i>169,628</i>
<i>Proposed 2007/08 Budget</i>	<i>5,157,879</i>

The most significant increase in expenditures is in the benefit allocation line, accounting for \$94,469 of the \$169,628 net increase. Of the \$94,469, \$48,242 reflects medical insurance inflation, \$38,351 represents mandatory New Hampshire Retirement System employer contribution increase, and the remaining amount of increases is attributed to non-union personnel benefits.

Lebanon announced a tuition decrease of 1.86%. Our current tuition is \$11,262 per student. The 2007/08 tuition rate is \$11,043. As you can see, the rate per student has decreased. We had an approved budget 2005/06 for 99.5 students to attend Lebanon High School. We have estimated that 103 students will attend Lebanon High School in the fall of 2007. We are assuming that all current 8th graders will attend Lebanon High School, even though some may opt for Kimball Union Academy.

2007/08 Revenues -

Non Tax Revenues are projected to be \$1,006,991, which translates into \$111,763 less than 2006/07. Most of the decrease is attributed to the prior year Surplus line, which is used to offset local tax dollars in the subsequent year. The most significant change in expected revenues for next year is the fact that we do not have a surplus to help offset the amount to be raised from taxes.

2007/08 Bottom Line -

The \$169,628 increase in spending, combined with the \$111,763 drop in revenue, will require local tax dollars to support this budget proposal to be increased by \$281,391 over last years amount. The 2007/08 estimated local tax effort of \$4,150,888 represents a 7.27% increase over the 2006/07 year's total of \$3,869,497.

The items set forth in this analysis ***do not*** include any of the separate warrant articles, which, if passed, will increase the tax effort necessary to fund those articles. The articles, which include; \$74,767 for the PEA contract, \$34,117 for the PSSA contract, \$25,000 for an assistant principal and \$20,000 to be placed in the Maintenance Reserve Trust Fund would add \$153,884 to the spending package and to the "tax dollars needed" totals listed above. Spending would increase by 6.49% (as opposed to the 3.4% mentioned above), while the local tax dollars would increase by 11.25% (as opposed to the 7.27% mentioned above).

Respectfully Submitted,
Beth Bierwirth - Finance

**PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT REVENUE REPORT
AND OVERALL SUMMARY**

Category:	2005/06	2006/07	2006/07	2007/08	2007/08
	AUDITED	OFFICIAL	TOTAL YEAR	BUDGET	Increase or
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ESTIMATE	ESTIMATE	(Decrease)
LOCAL SOURCES:					
Prior Year Surplus or (Deficit)	87,320	96,449	96,449	-	(96,449)
Interest Income	14,039	5,000	5,000	5,000	-
Food Service Revenues	44,799	40,000	40,668	40,668	668
Prior Year Surplus or (Deficit)	617				
Tuition Revenues		-	-	-	-
Transfer in Food Service	4,483				
Transfer from Reserve Funds	-	40,000	40,000	-	(40,000)
Deficit/Supplemental Approp	-	-		-	-
Other	5,348	1,000	1,047	1,047	47
Total Local	156,606	182,449	183,164	46,715	(135,734)
STATE SOURCES:					
NH Adequacy Grant	781,566	781,566	781,566	813,556	31,990
NH Building Aid	28,796	27,099	27,099	27,967	868
Catastrophic Aid	10,285			-	-
Child Nutrition	709	700	753	753	53
Other	-	-	-		-
Total State	821,356	809,365	809,418	842,276	32,911
FEDERAL SOURCES:					
Federal Grant Programs	94,392	97,940	97,248	89,000	(8,940)
Child Nutrition	7,757	9,000	9,789	9,000	-
Medicaid	28,590	20,000	20,289	20,000	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-
Total Federal	130,739	126,940	127,326	118,000	(8,940)
TOTAL NON-TAX REVENUES	1,108,701	1,118,754	1,119,908	1,006,991	(111,763)
Property Tax Dollars Needed	3,697,381	3,869,497	3,869,497	4,150,888	281,391
TOTAL BUDGET	4,806,082	4,988,251	4,966,167	5,157,879	169,628
SUMMARY:					
TOTAL REVENUES	4,806,082	4,988,251	4,989,405	5,157,879	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,729,635	4,988,251	4,962,567	5,157,879	
SURPLUS OR (DEFICIT)	76,447	0	26,838	0	

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT EXPENDITURE REPORT

Category:	2005/06	2006/07	2006/07	2007/08	2007/08	2007/08
	TOTAL YEAR	APPROVED	TOTAL YR	PROPOSED	\$ \$ Incr. Over	% Incr. Over
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ESTIMATE	BUDGET	06/07 Budget	06/07 Budget
1- REGULAR INSTRUCTION						
Teacher Salaries	1,114,092	1,137,982	1,145,779	1,178,880	40,898	3.59%
Ed Assistant Salaries	34,530	44,912	41,705	21,882	(23,030)	-51.28%
Tutors	3,059	3,000	3,000	3,500	500	16.67%
Substitutes	15,609	26,000	26,000	27,000	1,000	3.85%
Employee Benefits	410,738	407,920	419,428	456,052	48,132	11.80%
Contracted Services	3,905	6,300	11,462	10,620	4,320	68.57%
Equipment Repair	706	500	500	1,750	1,250	250.00%
Tuition	1,070,175	1,120,569	1,064,259	1,137,429	16,860	1.50%
Supplies	24,874	25,920	26,012	28,000	2,080	8.02%
Textbooks	16,060	13,500	13,907	10,000	(3,500)	-25.93%
Software	4,060	2,000	2,263	3,800	1,800	90.00%
New Equipment	19,845	479	2,720	2,200	1,721	359.29%
Furniture	6,192	1,602	3,084	5,450	3,848	240.20%
Dues & Fees	10,293	13,355	13,355	16,260	2,905	21.75%
Total Regular Instruction	2,734,138	2,804,039	2,773,474	2,902,823	98,784	3.52%
2- SPECIAL EDUCATION						
Teacher Salaries	189,049	202,120	202,120	212,560	10,440	5.17%
Ed Assistant Salaries	181,228	198,233	201,626	213,297	15,064	7.60%
Substitutes	7,167	3,500	3,500	7,000	3,500	100.00%
Employee Benefits	179,977	192,950	192,950	202,120	9,170	4.75%
Contracted Services	42,832	46,000	47,277	67,000	21,000	45.65%
Tuition	5,253	36,000	36,000	40,000	4,000	11.11%
Supplies	1,946	2,030	2,030	2,000	(30)	-1.48%
Books	969	200	284	500	300	150.00%
Software	1,433	500	500	500	-	0.00%
Equipment	4,961	2,000	2,000	2,000	-	0.00%
Other	299	700	700	1,000	300	42.86%
Total Special Education	615,114	684,233	688,987	747,977	63,744	9.32%

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT EXPENDITURE REPORT						
	2005/06 TOTAL YEAR ACTUAL	2006/07 APPROVED BUDGET	2006/07 TOTAL YR ESTIMATE	2007/08 PROPOSED BUDGET	2007/08 \$\$ Incr. Over 06/07 Budget	2007/08 % Incr. Over 06/07 Budget
Category:						
3 - CO-CURRICULAR						
Advisors	8,190	9,800	9,800	10,050	250	2.55%
Coaches	14,830	20,100	20,100	38,111	18,011	89.61%
Employee Benefits	1,761	2,290	2,290	2,500	210	9.17%
Officials	4,231	5,820	5,855	6,750	930	15.98%
Supplies & Contracted Svcs	3,909	7,150	7,244	8,550	1,400	19.58%
Dues & Fees	1,477	1,550	1,550	1,705	155	10.00%
Total Co-Curric./Athletics	34,398	46,710	46,839	67,666	20,956	44.86%
4 - GUIDANCE						
Salaries	48,005	51,847	51,777	51,777	(70)	-0.14%
Employee Benefits	21,026	21,945	21,972	23,922	1,977	9.01%
Testing	9,373	5,500	5,500	5,500	-	0.00%
Supplies	163	500	500	500	-	0.00%
Books	623	300	300	300	-	0.00%
Total Guidance	79,190	80,092	80,049	81,999	1,907	2.38%
5 - HEALTH						
Salaries	40,828	43,986	43,986	43,986	-	0.00%
Employee Benefits	20,211	21,034	21,014	22,886	1,852	8.80%
Supplies	133	1,030	1,030	1,050	20	1.94%
Equipment		-				
Total Health	61,172	66,050	66,030	67,922	1,872	2.83%

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT EXPENDITURE REPORT							
	2005/06	2006/07	2006/07	2007/08	2007/08	2007/08	2007/08
	TOTAL YEAR	APPROVED	TOTAL YR	PROPOSED	\$ \$ Incr. Over	% Incr. Over	
Category:	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ESTIMATE	BUDGET	06/07 Budget	06/07 Budget	
6 - STAFF/CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT							
Stipends	4,500	6,600	6,600	7,200	600	9.09%	
Staff Develop.-Teachers	5,629	12,525	12,525	12,400	(125)	-1.00%	
Staff Development-Support	2,357	4,025	4,037	4,800	775	19.25%	
Prof.Dev.-College Course.	4,318	7,000	7,000	7,000	-	0.00%	
Staff Training Workshops	4,772	5,000	5,000	5,000	-	0.00%	
Total Staff/Curric Develop	21,576	35,150	35,162	36,400	1,250	3.56%	
7 - LIBRARY							
Teacher Salaries	51,855	35,094	25,660	25,660	(9,434)	-26.88%	
Ed Assistant Salaries	13,436	14,201	14,775	14,775	574	4.04%	
Employee Benefits	24,422	34,744	30,103	32,103	(2,641)	-7.60%	
Contracted Services	660	1,200	1,200	1,200	-	0.00%	
Supplies	718	1,000	1,000	1,000	-	0.00%	
Books	4,448	6,000	6,000	6,000	-	0.00%	
Software	655	900	900	900	-	0.00%	
Equipment		-	-	-	-	0.00%	
Furniture		-	-	-	-	0.00%	
Total Library	96,194	93,139	79,638	81,638	(11,501)	-12.35%	
8 - INFORMATION SERVICES							
Supplies	-	4,700	4,700	3,850	(850)	-18.09%	
Software	-	1,350	1,350	1,550	200	14.81%	
New Equipment	-	3,460	3,460	-	(3,460)	-100.00%	
Replacement Equipment	-	6,940	6,940	6,530	(410)	-5.91%	
Contracted Services	-	5,800	5,800	5,800	-	0.00%	
Repairs & Maintenance	-	1,000	1,000	2,000	1,000	100.00%	
Total Information Services	-	23,250	23,250	19,730	(3,520)	-15.14%	

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	2005/06	2006/07	2006/07	2007/08	2007/08	2007/08
	TOTAL YEAR	APPROVED	TOTAL YR	PROPOSED	\$ \$ Incr. Over	% Incr. Over
Category:	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ESTIMATE	BUDGET	06/07 Budget	06/07 Budget
9 - SCHOOL BOARD						
School Board Stipends	1,550	1,550	1,550	1,550	-	0.00%
Treasurer Stipend	400	400	400	400	-	0.00%
Advertising	208	300	300	300	-	0.00%
Board Travel, Meetings, etc	1,642	2,500	2,500	2,500	-	0.00%
Criminal Records Checks	1,577	750	875	1,000	250	33.33%
Recording Secretary	1,320	1,200	1,200	1,350	150	12.50%
Dues	3,003	3,030	3,030	3,500	470	15.51%
Legal Services	6,985	5,000	4,200	4,000	(1,000)	-20.00%
Auditor Services	4,750	4,200	4,200	5,000	800	19.05%
District Meeting Expenses	1,267	1,000	1,000	1,000	-	0.00%
Total School Board	22,702	19,930	19,255	20,600	670	3.36%
10 - SAU OFFICE						
Salaries	115,317	116,095	113,708	118,705	2,610	2.25%
Contracted Services	3,929	5,000	8,017	3,000	(2,000)	-40.00%
Employee Benefits	9,060	17,926	17,926	21,829	3,903	21.77%
Telephone	1,248	1,500	1,500	1,500	-	0.00%
Supplies/Advertising	8,387	5,700	5,700	8,000	2,300	40.35%
Dues, Fees, Mtgs., Travel	4,012	4,000	4,000	4,050	50	1.25%
Software/Equipment	5,473	2,000	2,000	2,000	-	0.00%
Total SAU Office	147,426	152,221	152,851	159,084	6,863	4.51%

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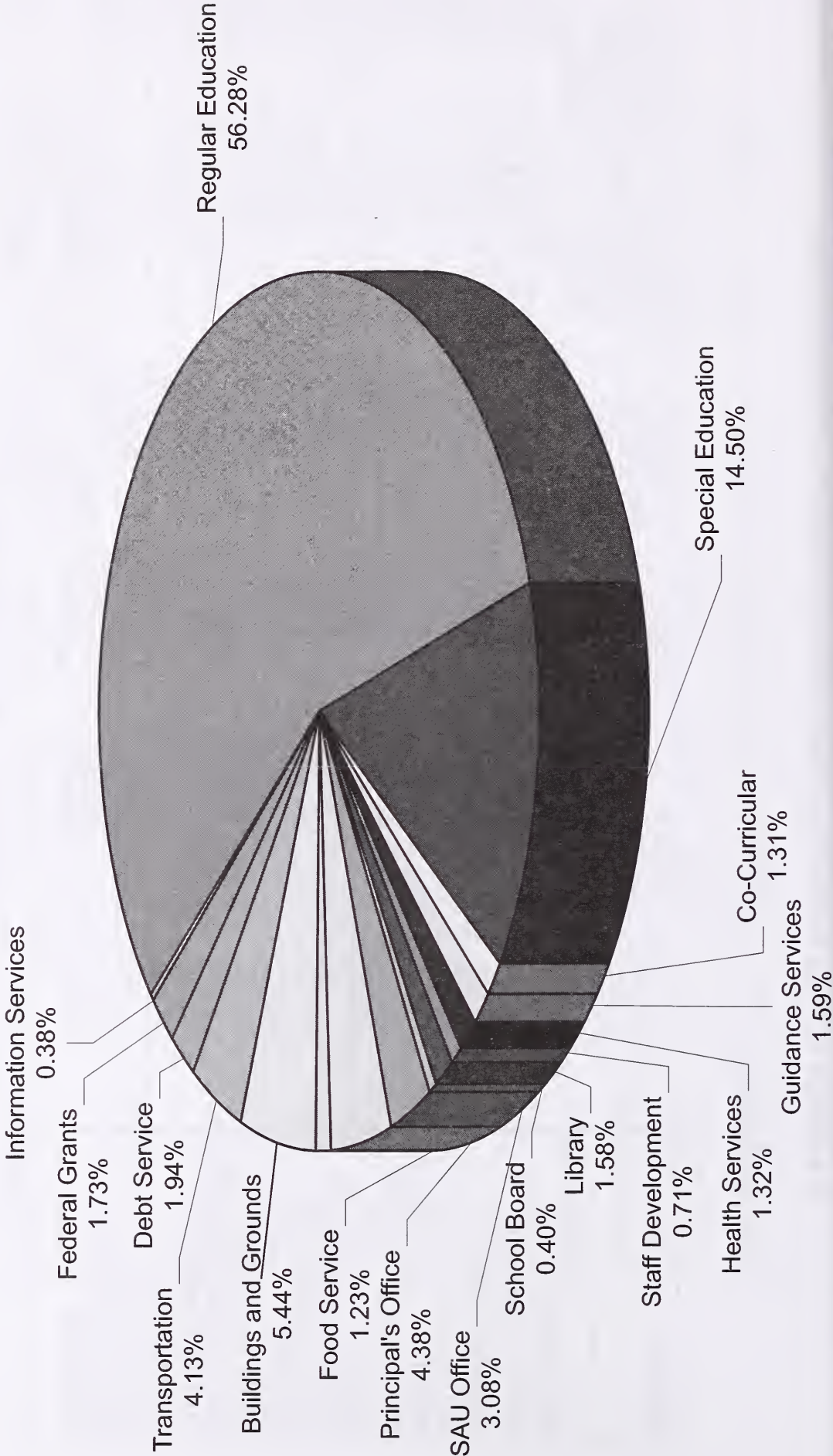
	2005/06	2006/07	2006/07	2007/08	2007/08	2007/08
	TOTAL YEAR	APPROVED	TOTAL YR	PROPOSED	\$ \$ Incr. Over	% Incr. Over
Category:	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ESTIMATE	BUDGET	06/07 Budget	06/07 Budget
11 - PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE						
Administrative Salaries	75,250	80,000	84,000	80,000		0.00%
Office/Secretarial Salaries	52,742	53,464	54,126	53,126	(338)	-0.63%
Employee Benefits	64,495	63,386	63,552	67,215	3,829	6.04%
Contracted Services	17,040	6,360	6,360	10,560	4,200	66.04%
Telephone	5,150	5,000	4,996	5,200	200	4.00%
Postage	1,996	2,200	2,200	2,200	-	0.00%
Printing	1,362	1,500	1,500	500	(1,000)	-66.67%
Travel	737	1,000	1,000	1,000	-	0.00%
Supplies	1,558	2,100	2,100	2,100	-	0.00%
Equipment	4,094	2,100	2,100	1,000	(1,100)	-52.38%
Dues & Fees	2,011	3,600	3,600	2,800	(800)	-22.22%
Prior Year Expense	4,223					
Total Principal's Office	230,658	220,710	225,534	225,701	4,991	2.26%
12 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS						
Medical Insurance	472,440	480,674	480,960	528,916	48,242	10.04%
Dental Insurance	28,747	29,998	31,341	31,482	1,484	4.95%
Life & AD&D Insurance	5,014	3,588	3,533	3,608	20	0.56%
Disability Insurance	11,153	12,159	11,973	12,159	-	0.00%
Flex Plan Administration	497	750	750	1,000	250	33.33%
F.I.C.A.	149,299	158,151	157,502	160,439	2,288	1.45%
Retirement	62,844	67,538	68,444	105,889	38,351	56.78%
Workers' Comp Insurance	6,410	6,894	7,473	7,586	692	10.04%
Annuities	30,594	38,335	40,280	41,477	3,142	8.20%
Unempl.Comp Insurance						
Subtotal Employee Ben.	766,998	798,087	802,256	892,556	94,469	11.84%
Transfer to Other Functions	(766,998)	(798,087)	(802,256)	(892,556)	(94,469)	
Net Total Employee Benefits						

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT EXPENDITURE REPORT						
	2005/06	2006/07	2006/07	2007/08	2007/08	2007/08
	TOTAL YEAR	APPROVED	TOTAL YR	PROPOSED	\$ \$ Incr. Over	% Incr. Over
Category:	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ESTIMATE	BUDGET	06/07 Budget	06/07 Budget
13 - FEDERAL GRANTS						
IDEA (Spec Ed)	48,878	54,000	52,887	53,000	(1,000)	-1.85%
Pre School	2,534	2,540	4,445	3,500	960	37.80%
Title 2 (Quality Teachers)	3,645	3,600	6,368	4,000	400	11.11%
Title 5 (Innovative)	2,280	1,300	890	1,000	(300)	-23.08%
Title 4 (Safe & DrugFreeSchools)	2,202	1,500	1,714	1,500	-	0.00%
Rural Education (REAP)	34,853	35,000	30,944	26,000	(9,000)	-25.71%
Other						
Total Grants	94,392	97,940	97,248	89,000	(8,940)	-9.13%
14 - OPERATION OF BUILDING						
Custodial Salaries/Wages	69,887	81,078	81,018	81,618	540	0.67%
Employee Benefits	35,179	37,050	37,497	40,864	3,814	10.29%
Contracted Services	10,016	11,300	11,300	14,350	3,050	26.99%
Building Repairs	34,282	30,000	30,000	34,000	4,000	13.33%
Property & Liability Insuran.	10,017	12,500	12,500	12,500	-	0.00%
Supplies	13,329	13,500	13,500	13,500	-	0.00%
Electricity	22,722	24,500	24,500	24,500	-	0.00%
Fuel Oil	35,658	50,000	44,045	50,000	-	0.00%
Sewer Fees		44,000	40,400	6,000	(38,000)	-86.36%
Equipment	3,303	875	875	3,400	2,525	288.57%
Total Operation of Building	234,393	304,803	295,635	280,732	(24,071)	-7.90%
15 - TRANSPORTATION						
Student Transportation	143,591	149,500	149,500	153,800	4,300	2.88%
Special Ed Transportation	2,331	7,000	25,452	42,000	35,000	500.00%
Athletic Trips	4,118	5,500	5,500	5,500	-	0.00%
Field Trips	11,243	10,000	10,000	11,500	1,500	15.00%
Total Transportation	161,283	172,000	190,452	212,800	40,800	23.72%

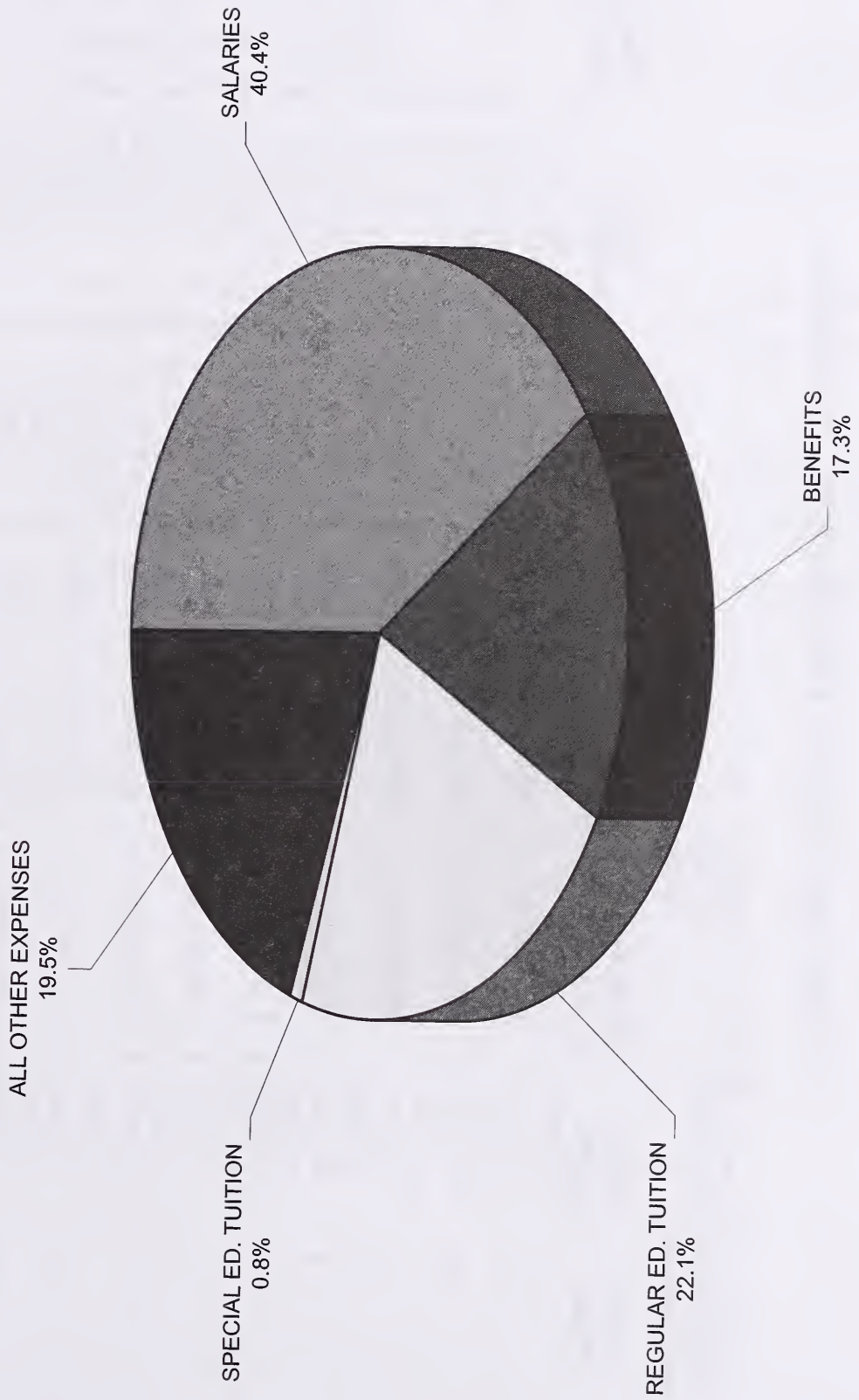
PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT EXPENDITURE REPORT							
	2005/06	2006/07	2006/07	2007/08	2007/08	2007/08	2007/08
	TOTAL YEAR	APPROVED	TOTAL YR	PROPOSED	\$ \$ Incr. Over	% Incr. Over	
Category:	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ESTIMATE	BUDGET	06/07 Budget	06/07 Budget	
16- FOOD SERVICES							
Salaries	11,264	11,890	11,890	11,890	-	-	0.00%
Employee Benefits	1,862	1,927	2,106	2,106	179	179	9.29%
Contracted Services	38,171	40,000	40,000	40,000	-	-	0.00%
Repairs	-	1,000	1,000	1,000	-	-	0.00%
Transportation	600	1,000	1,000	1,000	-	-	0.00%
Supplies	6,468	7,500	7,500	7,500	-	-	0.00%
Other							
Total Food Service	58,365	63,317	63,496	63,496	179	179	0.28%
17 - DEBT SERVICE							
Principal	90,000	85,000	85,000	85,000	-	-	0
Interest	24,151	19,667	19,667	15,311	(4,356)	(4,356)	-22.15%
Total Debt Service	114,151	104,667	104,667	100,311	(4,356)	(4,356)	-4.16%
18 - TRANSFERS							
Trans. Maint. Trust	20,000	20,000	20,000		(20,000)	(20,000)	-100.00%
Trans. Spec. Ed. Trust							
Trans. Food Service	4,483						
Total Transfers	24,483	20,000	20,000		(20,000)	(20,000)	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,729,635	4,988,251	4,962,567	5,157,879	169,628	169,628	3.40%

Category:	2004/05 AUDITED ACTUAL	2005/06 APPROVED BUDGET	2005/06 ESTIMATED ACTUAL	2006/07 PROPOSED BUDGET	\$\$ Increase or (Decrease) vs. 2005/06 Budget	% Increase or (Decrease) vs. 2005/06 Budget
REGULAR EDUCATION	2,734,138	2,804,039	2,773,474	2,902,823	98,784	3.52%
SPECIAL EDUCATION	615,114	684,233	688,987	747,977	63,744	9.32%
CO-CURRICULAR	34,398	46,710	46,839	67,666	20,956	44.86%
GUIDANCE	79,190	80,092	80,049	81,999	1,907	2.38%
HEALTH	61,172	66,050	66,030	67,922	1,872	2.83%
STAFF/CURRICULUM DEV.	21,576	35,150	35,162	36,400	1,250	3.56%
LIBRARY	96,194	93,139	79,638	81,638	(11,501)	(12.35%)
INFORMATION SERVICES	0	23,250	23,250	19,730	(3,520)	(15.14%)
SCHOOL BOARD	22,702	19,930	19,255	20,600	670	3.36%
SAU OFFICE	147,426	152,221	152,851	159,084	6,863	4.51%
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	230,658	220,710	225,534	225,701	4,991	2.26%
OPERATION OF BUILDING	234,393	304,803	295,635	280,732	(24,071)	(7.90%)
TRANSPORTATION	161,283	172,000	190,452	212,800	40,800	23.72%
FOOD SERVICE	58,365	63,317	63,496	63,496	179	0
DEBT SERVICE	114,151	104,667	104,667	100,311	(4,356)	-4.16%
FEDERAL GRANTS	94,392	97,940	97,248	89,000	(8,940)	(9.13%)
TRANSFERS	24,483	20,000	20,000		(20,000)	
TOTALS	4,729,635	4,988,251	4,962,567	5,157,879	169,628	3.4%

PLAINFIELD SCHOOL 2007-2008 PROPOSED EXPENSES BY FUNCTION



PLAINFIELD SCHOOL 2007-2008
PROPOSED EXPENSES BY OBJECT



10 YEAR DEBT SCHEDULE FOR PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

INTEREST START DATE: 205 DAYS 7/20/2000
 FIRST INTEREST PAYMENT: 2/15/2001
 NET INTEREST COST: 5.1400%

DEBT YEAR	PERIOD ENDING	PRINCIPAL OUTSTANDING	PRINCIPAL	RATE	INTEREST	TOTAL PAYMENT	FISCAL YEAR TOTAL PAYMENT
	2/15/01				\$ 25,572.33	\$ 25,572.33	\$ 25,572.33
1	8/15/01	\$ 875,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	5.125%	\$ 22,453.00	\$ 112,453.75	
	2/15/02				\$ 20,147.50	\$ 20,147.50	\$ 132,601.25
2	8/15/02	\$ 785,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	5.125%	\$ 20,147.50	\$ 110,147.50	
	2/15/03				\$ 17,841.25	\$ 17,841.25	\$ 127,988.75
3	8/15/03	\$ 695,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	5.125%	\$ 17,841.25	\$ 107,841.25	
	2/15/04				\$ 15,535.00	\$ 15,535.00	\$ 123,376.25
4	8/15/04	\$ 605,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	5.125%	\$ 15,535.00	\$ 105,535.00	
	2/15/05				\$ 13,228.75	\$ 13,228.75	\$ 118,763.75
5	8/15/05	\$ 515,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	5.125%	\$ 13,228.75	\$ 103,228.75	
	2/15/06				\$ 10,922.50	\$ 10,922.50	\$ 114,151.25
6	8/15/06	\$ 425,000.00	\$ 85,000.00	5.125%	\$ 10,922.50	\$ 95,922.50	
	2/15/07				\$ 8,744.38	\$ 8,744.38	\$ 104,666.88
7	8/15/07	\$ 340,000.00	\$ 85,000.00	5.125%	\$ 8,744.38	\$ 93,744.38	
	2/15/08				\$ 6,566.25	\$ 6,566.25	\$ 100,310.63
8	8/15/08	\$ 255,000.00	\$ 85,000.00	5.125%	\$ 6,566.25	\$ 91,566.25	
	2/15/09				\$ 4,388.13	\$ 4,388.13	\$ 95,954.38
9	8/15/09	\$ 170,000.00	\$ 85,000.00	5.125%	\$ 4,388.13	\$ 89,388.13	
	2/15/10				\$ 2,210.00	\$ 2,210.00	\$ 91,598.13
10	8/15/10	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 85,000.00	5.200%	\$ 2,210.00	\$ 87,210.00	\$ 87,210.00
TOTALS					\$ 247,193.60	\$ 1,122,193.60	\$ 1,122,193.60

TREASURER'S REPORT
2005-2006 SCHOOL YEAR

7/1/05	Balance Mascoma Savings	37,931.75
7/1/05	Balance NH Public Investment Pool	157,589.26
7/1/05	Subtotal	195,521.01
Total Expenditures (7/1/05 through 6/30/06)		4,729,635.00
Total Receipts (7/1/05 through 6/30/06)		4,806,082.00
6/30/06	Balance Mascoma Savings	267,591.93
6/30/06	Balance NH Public Investment Pool	4,376.08
6/30/06	Total Cash Available	271,968.01

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Moore
Treasurer



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the School Board
Plainfield School District
Meriden, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Plainfield School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006 which collectively comprise the Plainfield School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the School District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on the financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Plainfield School District as of June 30, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The budgetary comparison information is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The Plainfield School District has not presented a management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, have determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Plainfield School District's basic financial statements. The individual fund schedules are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. They have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

August 8, 2006

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2006-2007 PLAINFIELD TEACHERS' SALARY SCHEDULE

Track 1.0340

Step 1.0348

Longevity 1.000

STEP	BA/BS	BA+15	BA+30/MA	MA+15	MA+30
1	\$30,000	\$31,020	\$32,075	\$33,165	\$34,293
2	\$31,062	\$32,118	\$33,210	\$34,339	\$35,507
3	\$32,162	\$33,255	\$34,386	\$35,555	\$36,764
4	\$33,300	\$34,432	\$35,603	\$36,814	\$38,065
5	\$34,479	\$35,651	\$36,863	\$38,117	\$39,413
6	\$35,699	\$36,913	\$38,168	\$39,466	\$40,808
7	\$36,963	\$38,220	\$39,519	\$40,863	\$42,252
8	\$38,272	\$39,573	\$40,918	\$42,310	\$43,748
9	\$39,627	\$40,974	\$42,367	\$43,807	\$45,297
10	\$41,029	\$42,424	\$43,867	\$45,358	\$46,900
11	\$42,482	\$43,926	\$45,420	\$46,964	\$48,561
12	\$43,986	\$45,481	\$47,028	\$48,626	\$50,280
13	\$45,543	\$47,091	\$48,692	\$50,348	\$52,060
14	\$47,155	\$48,758	\$50,416	\$52,130	\$53,903
15	\$48,824	\$50,484	\$52,201	\$53,976	\$55,811
16	\$50,553	\$52,271	\$54,049	\$55,886	\$57,786
17	\$52,342	\$54,122	\$55,962	\$57,865	\$59,832

PLAINFIELD TEACHERS - 2006-2007 SALARY SCHEDULE GRID

Track	Bachelor		Bachelor +15		Bachelor + 30/ Masters		Masters + 15		Masters + 30	
	FTE's	salary	FTE's	salary	FTE's	salary	FTE's	salary	FTE's	salary
step 1	1	\$30,000		\$31,020	0.8	\$32,075		\$33,165		\$34,293
2		\$31,062		\$32,118		\$33,210		\$34,339		\$35,507
3		\$32,162		\$33,255		\$34,386	1.0	\$35,555		\$36,764
4		\$33,300		\$34,432		\$35,603		\$36,814		\$38,065
5		\$34,479		\$35,651		\$36,863		\$38,117		\$39,413
6	1	\$35,699		\$36,913		\$38,168		\$39,466		\$40,808
7		\$36,963		\$38,220	1.0	\$39,519		\$40,863		\$42,252
8		\$38,272		\$39,573	1.0	\$40,918		\$42,310		\$43,748
9		\$39,627		\$40,974		\$42,367		\$43,807		\$45,297
10	0.554	\$41,029		\$42,424		\$43,867		\$45,358		\$46,900
11		\$42,482		\$43,926		\$45,420	1.0	\$46,964		\$48,561
12	1	\$43,986		\$45,481	0.6	\$47,028		\$48,626		\$50,280
13		\$45,543	1.0	\$47,091		\$48,692	1.0	\$50,348		\$52,060
14		\$47,155		\$48,758	1.0270	\$50,416		\$52,130		\$53,903
15		\$48,824		\$50,484	0.8	\$52,201		\$53,976	1.097	\$55,811
16		\$50,553		\$52,271	1.0	\$54,049		\$55,886		\$57,786
17	1.0	\$52,342	1.0	\$54,122	5.55	\$55,962		\$57,865	6.554	\$59,832
		\$184,757		\$101,213		\$592,490		\$132,867		\$453,364
FTE	4.554		2		11.777		3		7.651	28.982
#of Staff	5		2		13		3		8	31

PLAINFIELD ENROLLMENT – OCTOBER 1, 2006

GRADE	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
K	10	15	25
1	10	17	27
2	14	17	31
3	19	13	32
4	18	19	37
5	20	14	34
6	19	12	31
7	17	21	38
8	<u>15</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>38</u>
SUB TOTAL	142	151	293
Total Home Study Students	6	5	<u>11</u>

TOTAL Enrollment with Home Study = 304

PLAINFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
CLASS OF 2006

Jennifer Anderle
Shane Arsenault
Nathan Braginetz
Cody Cantlin
Emma Clark
Brian Clukey
Benjamin DeFoe
Therese Ellis
John Galvin
Lucas Goodwin
Eric Hebert
Kelsey Higgins
Benjamin Hollander
Ainsley MacDonald

Jacob Marsh
Dillon McCarthy
Katherine Minard
Nicholas Morse
Burke Patterson
Melvin Pierce
Abby Plummer
Nyisha Sangermano
Nils Scheie
Molly Smith
Emily Tassinari
Denise Thorburn
Hillary Ward
Travis Woodbury

KIMBALL UNION ACADEMY- 2005-2006

(Plainfield Residents)

Grade 9

Timothy Adams
Alexandra Barnicle
Ethan Creeger
Olivia Fauver

Nikolai Girouard
Stephen Goodrow
Adam McNamara

Julia Moore
Alyssa Reetz
Christopher Woodburn

Grade 10

Calvin Dewey
Lauren Lenz

Kelly O'Leary
Corina E. Ryan

Walter Scott
Sarah Stender

Grade 11

Matthew Cricco
Samantha Goodrow
Rachel Gordon

Skylar Herbert
Trevor McGraw
Jason McNamara

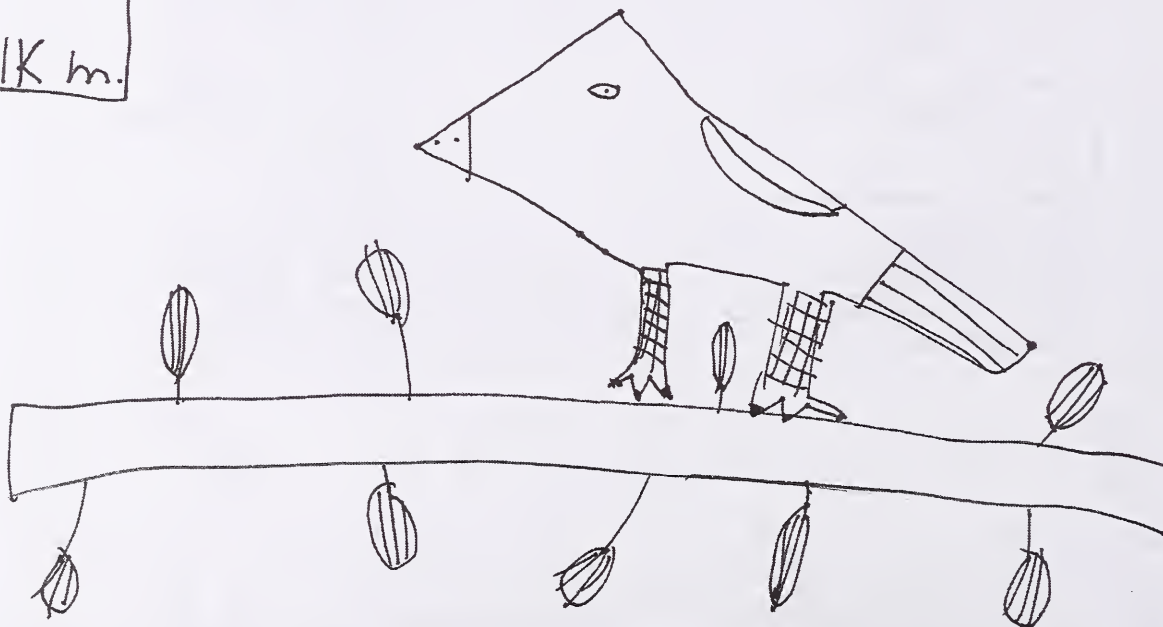
Allison Moehrke
Nathaniel D. Plummer
Emily B. Sheehan

Grade 12

Tyler Dewdney
Jeffrey Galvin

Erik Heaton
Nathan McNamara

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2006 Plainfield Elementary School Award Recipients

Athletics: *Garipay - Beupre Scholar - Athlete:* **Ainsley MacDonald ~ Grobe - Reisch Sportsmanship: Ben Hollander ~ Best Female Athlete: Kelsey Higgins ~ Best Male Athlete: Dillon McCarthy**

Teachers' Award: **Ben Hollander**

President's Education Awards for Outstanding Academic Excellence: **Jennifer Anderle, Ben DeFoe, Ben Hollander, Ainsley MacDonald, Katie Minard, Nils Scheie, Emily Tassinari**

President's Education Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement: **Abby Plummer**

Scholar Leader Award: **Ainsley MacDonald, Ben Hollander**

Plainfield Education Association Scholarship Award: **Ainsley MacDonald**

PTA Citizenship Award: **Jennifer Anderle**

Cory Taber Award: **Abby Plummer**

Townsend Scholarship: **Ainsley MacDonald**

Ben and Josh Putnam Scholarship: **Ben Hollander**

The Herbert E. Ward Memorial Essay Contest: **1st Place: Katie Minard – “Teen Suicide”; 2nd Place: Jennifer Anderle – “Overindulgence in American Society”; 3rd Place: Ben Hollander – “Made in China”; 4th Place: Abby Plummer – “Childhood Obesity in America”; 5th Place: Kelsey Higgins – “Driving Safely in America”; Nils Scheie – “On Overpriced Gasoline”; Honorable Mention: Emily Tassinari – “Immigration”**

Presidential Physical Fitness: **Ainsley MacDonald**

National Physical Fitness: **Molly Smith, Lucas Goodwin, Ben DeFoe, Jennifer Anderle, Kelsey Higgins, Abby Plummer, Nick Morse, Emma Clark, Emily Tassinari, Nathan Braginetz**

Art Elective Recognition: **Jennifer Anderle, Therese Ellis, Eric Hebert, Molly Smith, Hillary Ward, Dillon McCarthy, Nick Morse, Abby Plummer, Emily Tassinari ~ Global Art Project Participant: Therese Ellis**

2006 Plainfield Elementary School Award Recipients
(continued)

Excellence in Chorus: **Denise Thorburn**

Student Council Recognition: **Jennifer Anderle, Katie Minard, Nick Morse,**

Math Team: **Jennifer Anderle, Ben DeFoe, Ainsley MacDonald, Katie Minard, Kelsey Higgins, Ben Hollander, Nick Morse, Abby Plummer, Nils Scheie, Emily Tassinari**

Drama Awards: *Director's Award-* **Abby Plummer**
 Drama Award – **Katie Minard**

Subject Area by Class Awards:

Math: *Outstanding Merit:* **Ainsley MacDonald**
 Excellent Effort: **Jennifer Anderle**
 Most Improved: **Cody Cantlin**

Social Studies *Outstanding Merit:* **Jennifer Anderle**
 Excellent Effort: **Ainsley MacDonald**
 Most Improved: **Denise Thorburn**

English *Outstanding Merit:* **Emily Tassinari**
 Excellent Effort: **Abby Plummer**
 Most Improved: **Molly Smith**

Science *Outstanding Merit:* **Jennifer Anderle**
 Excellent Effort: **Ainsley MacDonald**
 Most Improved: **Cody Cantlin**

Health *Outstanding Merit:* **Ainsley MacDonald**
 Excellent Effort: **Denise Thorburn**
 Most Improved: **Lucas Goodwin**

Art **8M** *Outstanding Merit:* **Jennifer Anderle**
 Excellent Effort: **Ben DeFoe**
 Most Improved: **Hillary Ward**

8R *Outstanding Merit:* **Emily Tassinari**
 Excellent Effort: **Dillon McCarthy**
 Most Improved: **Nick Morse**

2006 Plainfield Elementary School Award Recipients

(continued)

Spanish

Outstanding Merit: **Ainsley MacDonald**

Excellent Effort: **Emma Clark**

Most Improved: **Eric Hebert**

PE

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Sportsmanship: **Jennifer Anderle**

Best Overall: **Brian Clukey**

Best Overall: **Ainsley MacDonald**

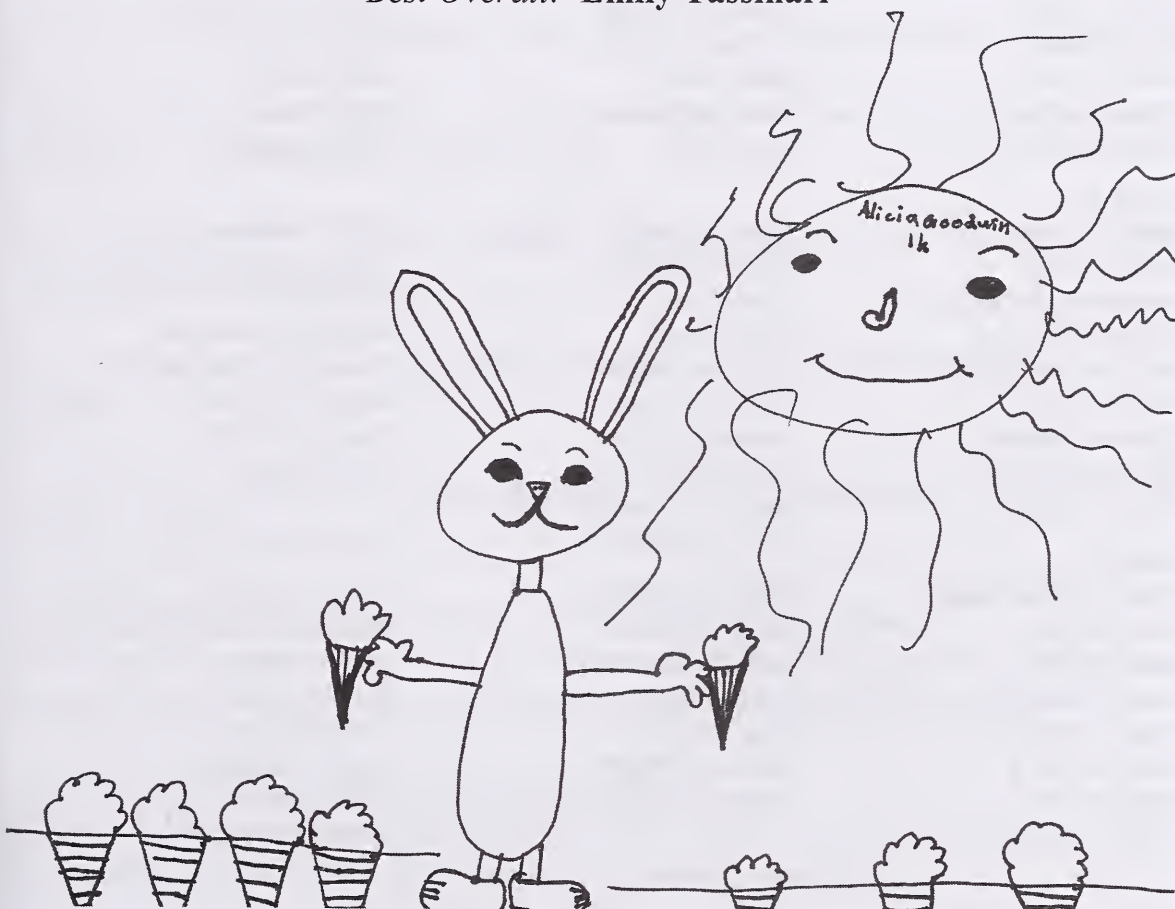
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Sportsmanship: **Nathan Braginetz**

Sportsmanship: **Abby Plummer**

Best Overall: **Nick Morse**

Best Overall: **Emily Tassinari**



LHS TUITION STUDENTS 2005-2006**Grade 9**

Skylar Aldrich	Kelsey Hardy	Fonda McKinney
Heather Boutin	Joseph Harlow	Amanda Milo
Aaron Brown	Gillian Herbert	Jeremy Pardoe
Sirena Dodge	Colby Higgins	Joshua Putnam
Michael Girouard	Sai Kuppa	Ashlin Rea
Lauren Grobe	Joshua Larocque	Daphne Rondeau
Samantha Harding	Hilary Lynd	Johanna Ruppertsberger
		Conrad Woodbury

Grade 10

Sarah Archambeault	MacKenzie Higgins	Megan Pierce
Mark Balch	Ashley Inman	Joshua Roberts
Kyle Bernaby	Nicholas Keating	Brittany Smith
Kameron Bomhower	Andrew Kelly	Christopher Spencer
Francis Bouchard	Alyssa Kleinkauf	Mark Spydell
Calvin Dewey	Anna Knight	Evan Sundell
David Dubeau	Jessica Lambert	Cassandra Talbert
Dylan Gald	Joshua Laroque	Rachel Torrey
Jasmine Hardy	Scott Liang	Katie Wilbur
Colton Hathoot	John McGovern, Jr.	Wylie Wood
Amanda Hawkins	Kim Olson	Ethan Wright

Grade 11

Casey Athanas	Ryan Houston	Caitlin Pelletier
Melissa Balch	Tarah Kelley	Natalie Ruppertsberger
Jacqueline Bruleigh	Noah Lynd	Terry Sams
Jasmine Caple	Brian Macie	Samantha Smarsik
Richard Dubeau	Molly McAllister	Christopher Stebbins
Peter Grippi	Tucker McCarthy	Samantha Swett
Allyson Hawkins	Russell Moore	Chandra Wolfe
John Henahan	Kelly Nichols	Isaac Yeaton
Emily Hohmann	Jeffrey Patterson, Jr.	

Grade 12

Ethan Archambeault	Kristin Gallagher	Erik Livingstone
Adam Bolduc	Brian Gattie	Barbara McCarragher
Ryan Boutin	Danielle Girouard	Danielle Milo
Justin Bradstreet	Emily Hegel	Scott Moses
Corey Cantlin	Ryan Higgins	Kimberly Pierce
Amanda Clark	Kaitlyn Johnson	Bryan Tibbals
Ryan Collins	Bethany Ladd	Dylan Wood
		Samantha Zappia

LHS HONORS NIGHT

On May 4, 2006, LHS students in grades nine, ten, and eleven were recognized for their academic achievements during 2005-2006. The following are awards presented to Plainfield students.

HONORS - student has earned at least a C+ in all courses taken and has received a G.P.A. of 3.0 - Grade 9 – **Samantha Harding, Gillian Herbert, Colby Higgins**; Grade 10 – **Sarah Archambeault, Calvin Dewey, Dylan Grald, Jasmine Hardy, Amanda Hawkins, Mackenzie Higgins, Nicholas Keating, Alyssa Kleinkauf, Max McGuinness, Kim Olson, Joshua Roberts, Cassandra Talbert**; Grade 11 – **Jacqueline Bruleigh, Allyson Hawkins, Noah Lynd, Natalie Ruppertsberger, Isaac Yeaton**

HIGH HONORS - student has earned at least an A- in all courses taken and a G.P.A. of 3.67 - Grade 9 **Hilary Lynd**; Grade 10 – **Andrew Kelly, Anna Knight**

MATH TEAM AWARDS - Senior Division – **Isaac Yeaton**; Intermediate Division – **Andrew Kelly, Hilary Lynd**

ART AWARDS – **Evan Sundell, Hilary Lynd, Nick Keating, Alyssa Kleinkauf, Samantha Swett**

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFYING RECOGNITION– **Noah Lynd**

NATIONAL ALTIN EXAMINATION AWARDS – Maxima Cum Laude, Silver Medal – **Jack Henehan**; Cum Laude – **Amanda Milo**

DARTMOUTH BOOK AWARD: Natalie Ruppertsberger

For a junior in the top 10% of the class who has made a positive effect on the school community and has excelled in at least one non-academic area.

SMITH BOOK AWARD: Allyson Hawkins

Given to a student from the top 10% of the class who serves as an example of scholarship and who has demonstrated leadership qualities.

KODAK YOUNG LEADERS AWARD: Jacqueline Bruleigh

Recognizes a sophomore or junior for outstanding academic and leadership achievements.

AWARDS CONFERRED ON THE LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2006

The following awards were presented to Plainfield student graduates at the Lebanon High School Senior Awards Ceremony at the Opera House on Monday, June 5, 2006.

SENIOR CLASS AWARDS - given to the members of the Class of 2006 who have shown the greatest ability and achievement in the following areas: Social Studies - **Bethany S. Ladd**; Science - **Barbara J McCarragher**

THE STERLING MELENDY MEMORIAL AWARD – given to the graduating senior with the highest grade average in English and some involvement in athletics - **Bethany S. Ladd**

RICHARD K. ALLEN CLASS OF 1932 MATHEMATICS AWARD - given to the student who has demonstrated excellence in mathematics in each of four years and who intends to pursue a career in which math is an essential background. The student shall have displayed qualities of good character, including a willingness to help others- **Barbara J. McCarragher**

ART DEPARTMENT AWARDS - **Bethany S. Ladd, Dylan M. Wood**

DRAMA CLUB RECOGNITION - for outstanding contribution to the L.H.S. drama productions - **Ryan G. Collins**

LEBANON ARTS & CRAFTS ASSOCIATION IN MEMORY OF R. ALDEN BURT - given to a senior in recognition of his/her achievement in the field of arts and crafts in memory of Alden Burt, a former teacher at Lebanon High School - **Ryan G. Collins**

YOUTH IN ACTION SCHOLARSHIP AWARD - given to one or more seniors who best exemplify the spirit of Youth-In-Action by volunteering in their community - **Bethany S. Ladd**

NEW HAMPSHIRE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN RECOGNITION - given in recognition of outstanding performance as scholar-athletes - **Emily E. Hegel**
Bethany S. Ladd, Barbara J. McCarragher,

N.H. HIGH SCHOOL MEN'S SCHOLAR/ATHLETE AWARD - **Adam J. Bolduc, Brian C. Gattie, Dylan M. Wood**

LEBANON EDUCATION ASSOCIATION AWARD - **Justin G. Bradstreet**

AMERICAN LEGION PAST COMMANDER ASSOC. AWARD - **Ryan Z. Higgins**

LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP - awarded annually to a son or daughter of a Lebanon High School or West Lebanon High School alumni member - **Amanda M. Clark**

U.S. ARMY RESERVE SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARDS - **Bethany S. Ladd**

RIVERSIDE ROTARY CLUB AWARD IN MEMORY OF THOMAS DAUPHINAIS - given to a student who exemplifies truth, fairness and friendship as worthy goals in dealing with others - **Bethany S. Ladd**

LEBANON HISTORICAL SOCIETY - given to a deserving student(s) showing enthusiasm for the study of history - **Dylan M. Wood**

PEARCE JEWELERS EXCELLENCE IN THE ARTS SCHOLARSHIP - **Danielle M. Milo**

SHARON ANN LINK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS - to recognize one male and one female student each year who has participated in scholastic soccer and have demonstrated achievement in scholarship, citizenship and sportsmanship - **Brian C. Gattie, Emily E. Hegel**

WILFRED & “JAKE” GAUDREAU MEMORIAL ICE HOCKEY AWARD - presented to the most valuable senior ice hockey player - **Adam J. Bolduc**

CINDY BAGLEY SOFTBALL AWARD - given to the senior girl who has excelled in offensive performance and displayed enthusiasm and team spirit, while maintaining at least the class average scholastically - **Danielle M. Girouard**

RAIDER SPIRIT ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP - **Bethany S. Ladd**

LEBANON ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP - presented to a deserving student(s) pursuing a post-secondary degree - **Brian C. Gattie**

THE NORTH COUNTRY SECTION OF THE SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS – given to a student who has completed 3 years of science and mathematics with distinction and must have been an active citizen of the school and/or community-Highest Honors- **Bethany S. Ladd**

NANCY MARIE CLARK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD - presented to a member of the graduating class by the family of Nancy Marie Clark, Class of 1984- **Amanda M. Clark**

JAMES E. SCHWEDLAND MEMORIAL AWARD - presented by the faculty to a member of the class having overcome some unusual circumstances in obtaining a high school diploma, and in so doing has shown courage, determination, and good spirit - **Justin G. Bradstreet**

THE WILLIAM A. AND HELEN KELLEY SMITH SCHOLARSHIP AWARD – given to a deserving student pursuing an education or training at a trade school, vocational program or college - **Amanda M. Clark**

LEBANON WOMENS CLUB AWARD - presented to a senior girl in recognition of good citizenship and who is determined to succeed - **Emily E. Hegel**

FREDERICK E. CARVER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD - given to a senior going on to post-secondary education - **Kaitlyn R. Johnson**

PLAINFIELD P.T.A. AWARD - given to a senior from Plainfield who is going on to post-secondary education - **Bethany S. Ladd**

KENNETH H. FLEWELLING SCHOLARSHIP - given to a senior who wishes to pursue study in Forestry, Conservation, Natural Resources or Outdoor Recreation Management- **Bethany S. Ladd**

CLASS OF 1908 ACHIEVEMENT TROPHY AWARD - given to the member of the class who excels in clean sportsmanship, team spirit, and all that is in the best interests of athletics. His or her scholastic standing shall be at least equal to the average of the class- **Bethany S. Ladd**

TRUMBULL-NELSON CONSTRUCTION CO. INC. AWARD IN MEMORY OF DONALD P. SMITH - given to a deserving senior pursuing a career in the Construction Industry, Architecture or Engineering -**Ryan Z. Higgins**

SHORES FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FOR CREATIVE ARTS – given to a student pursuing further education in the arts - **Danielle M. Milo**

E.J. SANBORN MEMORIAL AWARD - to be awarded to a student who has contributed to the welfare of this school and to other students in an inconspicuous manner. The student should be pursuing a vocational-technical program - **Ethan J. Archambeault**

THE CLAYTON J. RICHARDSON CITIZENSHIP AWARD - given to the member who exemplifies the highest characteristics of good citizenship - **Barbara J. McCarragher**

STRYKER BIOTECH SCIENCE AWARD - **Bethany Ladd**

MEMBERS ADVANTAGE COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION SCHOLARSHIP - **Brian Gattie**

PRESIDENT’S EDUCATION AWARDS PROGRAM – in recognition of academic fitness by achieving a four year accumulative grade point average of 3.67 or higher- **Bethany S. Ladd, Barbara J. McCarragher**

IDEA & Preschool Entitlement Funds: Application for Plainfield School District.

IDEA entitlement and preschool funds are based on the actual number of special needs students in the districts. It is expected that Plainfield will qualify for a total grant of \$52,287. in FY 2008. These funds must be used to supplement our local expenditures. They cannot be used to reduce an amount spent by local funds in a prior fiscal year. During the current fiscal year these funds were used to pay for such services as speech and language services, special education assistants, a school social worker, and our school psychologist. An extra, one-time allotment for 2006-2007 allowed us to purchase computer hardware and software for our special education staff. Some of the funds are used to help us actively seek out, find and evaluate children who may be eligible for special education services. Federal law requires that we do this. The specific manner in which we propose to spend this year's funds is outlined in a grant application, which was submitted in September of 2006. Delivery of the services proposed is contingent upon the approval of the application and the actual receipt of funds. Any community member wishing to review the grant should contact the central office at 92 Bonner Road.

NONDISCRIMINATION NOTICE

Plainfield School District does not discriminate in its education programs, activities, or employment practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, marital status, sexual orientation or disability under the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1965, Section 1981 of the Civil Rights Act of 1966, the Equal Pay Act, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, the American With Disabilities Act of 1990, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Individuals with Disabilities Act, RSA 186-C, and RSA 354-A. Any person having inquiries concerning Plainfield School District's compliance with the regulations implementing these laws may contact: Superintendent of Schools, 92 Bonner Road, Meriden, NH 03770, (603) 469-3442.

Certain specific inquiries may be directed to the following: Title IX Coordinator, Russell Collins; Title VI, VII and 504 Coordinator, Nancy Brogden.

Any person may also contact Title IX Coordinator, NH Department of Education, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301. (603) 271-3196, for Title IX and Age Discrimination; Section 504 Coordinator, NH Department of Education, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301, (603) 271-3610, for Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Supervisor for National Origin & Equal Education Opportunity, NH Department of Education, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH 03301, (603) 271-3582, for Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education or the Director, U.S. Department of Education, U.S. Government, 10 Causeway Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02114

NOTICE OF RIGHTS TO SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

School Administrative Unit #32, in complying with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 (IDEA 2004), is required to locate and identify all school age children who may have educational disabilities including those who are homeless, migrant, wards of the state, or attending private schools within the Plainfield School district boundaries.

If you are a parent of, or know of a child age 3-21, who you feel may have an educational disability, please contact the School Principal or Director of Special Education at 469-3250. SAU #32 will provide free screening and evaluation of any child referred to them. Students found eligible for special education services will be offered a free appropriate public education.

A student with a disability who does not qualify for services under the IDEA 2004 may qualify for accommodations under Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act. Referrals under Section 504 may be made to the Principal.

Parents have the right to review the educational records of their children, as guaranteed by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

Plainfield School District 2006-2007 Teachers/Professional Staff

Last Name	First Name	Position	Date of Hire	College
Allen	Jean	Teacher-Spanish Grs. 5-8	6/22/00	B.A. Keene State College
Alves	Joycelyn	Teacher, Remedial Reading	8/23/89	Practical Nursing., NH Tech. College; B.A. Vt. College
Cantlin	Mary	Teacher/Technology Coordinator	8/23/92	B.A., Marietta College; M.Ed., Keene State College
Feid	Brandon	Teacher-P.E./Ath. Coordinator	8/26/02	B.S. Univ. of New Hampshire
Foltn	Deborah	Speech/Language Pathologist	5/22/00	B.A., Wellesley College; M.A. Univ. of Denver
Freebern	Sarah	Librarian	8/28/06	B.A., M.L.I.S. Univ. of Rhode Island
Gallagher	Heather	Teacher-Gr.5	8/29/05	B.A., Univ. of Maine at Fort Kent
Heaton	Karen	Nurse/Health Educator	8/25/97	B.S.N., Univ. of Vermont, Health Educator Certification
Heistad	Betty Ann	Teacher-Gr.1	8/26/85	B.A., Univ. of New Hampshire; M.Ed., Antioch
Hills	Frances	Teacher-Gr.4	4/28/80	B.A., Univ. of Vermont; M.Ed., Antioch
Johnson	Brenda	Teacher-Gr.6	2/26/86	B.A., Syracuse University; M.Ed., Antioch
Keeney	David	Teacher - Music	8/28/06	B.M.E., Olivet college
Knight	Laura	Teacher-Gr.1	8/6/84	B.S., Cornell University; M.S., Wheelock College
Kuriger	Christine	Guidance Counselor	5/17/04	B.S., Central CT State College; M.S., Southern CT State Univ.
Langsner	Ellen	Principal	7/1/05	B.S., Lesley College; M.Ed., Plymouth State College
Lanzim	Katherine	Teacher-Special Ed.	11/1/86	B.A., Newark State College
Lynd	Betsy Rybeck	Teacher-Gr.2	4/26/83	B.S., Bates College; M.S.T., Antioch
Maslan	Kathleen	Teacher-Gr.2	11/8/99	B.S., Keene State College
McCutchan	Duncan	Teacher-Gr.7/8	8/28/06	B.S., U. of Minnesota; M.Ed. Antioch
McGee	Susan	Teacher-English Grs.7/8	5/22/78	B.A., Univ. of Connecticut
McKernan	Mary	Teacher-Science/Math 7/8	8/26/02	B.S., Keene State College
Mortimer	Kathryn	Teacher-Art	8/2/99	B.A.F.A., Univ. of New Mexico, Albuquerque
Oidtmann	Linda	Teacher-Special Ed.	5/22/00	B.Ed., Univ. of British Columbia; M.Ed., Notre Dame College, NH
Perkins	Julie	Teacher-Gr.2	1/2/78	B.S., Castleton State College
Pullen	Susan	Teacher-Gr.4	8/29/05	B.A., Tufts Univ.; MSW Boston University
Reisch	Denis	Teacher-Gr.7/8	5/27/68	B.A., Univ. of New Hampshire
Sanchirico	Paul	Teacher-Gr.5	8/26/93	B.S., Keene State College
Sheehan	James	Teacher-Gr.6	3/7/94	B.A., Wesleyan University
Spratt	Laura	Teacher-Special Ed.	8/29/05	B.A., Univ. of Iowa; M.S., Drake Univ.
Taber	Melinda	Teacher-Gr.3	8/25/97	B.S., Univ. of New Hampshire; M.Ed., UNH
Wolkin	Larry	Teacher-Gr.3	8/24/81	B.A., SUNY-Binghamton; M.A., Bank St. College
Woodcock	Mark	Teacher-Kindergarten	8/25/87	B.A., Towson State University

Plainfield School District 2006-2007 Support Staff

Last Name	First Name	Position	Date of Hire	College
Bierwirth	Beth	Secretary to the Principal	8/25/08	Assoc., North Country Community College
Beloin	Linda	Educational Assistant	4/27/09	
Blaise	Suzanne	Educational Assistant	8/29/10	
Chapin	Emily	Educational Assistant	9/9/02	Pierce College for Women
Collins	Lehann	Library Aide	8/30/05	Ocean County College, NJ
Cutts	Shannon	Educational Assistant	8/30/09	B.A., Univ. of New Hampshire
Daley	Jill Canillas	Educational Assistant	8/26/02	B.A., VT College of Norwich Univ.
Downs	Janna	Educational Assistant	8/29/10	
Ferland	Sarah	Educational Assistant	1/31/10	B.A., Plymouth State College
Fleming	William	Custodian/Bus Driver/Facility Mng	5/4/91	
Goerke	Shelley	Educational Assistant	8/30/09	ChildCareCert., College for Lifelong Learning
Goodrow	Fawn	Educational Assistant	9/12/01	B.S., Merrimack College
Granter	William	Educational Assistant	8/30/09	B.A., B.Ed., Memorial Univ. of Newfoundland
Hall	Laurel	Educational Assistant	12/12/06	B.S., Keene State College
Huett	Cynthia	Lunch Program Coordinator	8/20/07	Lebanon College
Johnson	Leni-Lyne	Educational Assistant	8/29/08	B.A., University of Connecticut
Marsh	Michelle	Educational Assistant	8/27/07	Assoc., Plymouth State
Montmagny	Susan	Educational Assistant	8/30/09	B.S., College for Lifelong Learning; UVTI cert.
Moore	Annette	School Secretary	8/18/01	B.A., Colby College
Morse	Debra	Educational Assistant	8/30/09	Assoc., Mount Ida College
Nierenberg	Joan	Asst. to the Superintendent	10/2/03	B.A., Mount Holyoke College
Redpath	Martha	Educational Assistant	8/30/09	B.A., Vermont College
Rullo	Dominic	Night Custodian	10/27/02	
Smith	Sheri	Educational Assistant	8/30/09	B.A., M.S., The American Univ.; MDiv., Emory Univ.
Whitman	Rosemary	Educational Assistant	8/27/07	B.S., University of N. Dakota
Wolke	Evy	Educational Assistant	8/31/08	B.A., Wesleyan University

Plainfield's Educational Mission

Mission Statement: As a community of learners, our educational mission in Plainfield is to support and expect academic excellence while building character, self-confidence, and enthusiasm for life-long learning.

Responsibilities

The community is responsible for providing a quality education to children in grades K through 12.

The school is responsible for:

- Stating clearly academic goals and defining a curriculum with high academic standards.
- Teaching with an awareness of individual children's learning styles.
- Emphasizing good character, self-discipline, and interpersonal skills.
- Providing an atmosphere that fosters excitement about learning.
- Offering strong administrative leadership and a high quality staff.
- Respecting the values, authority, and input of parents, as well as the situations of the home environment.
- Encouraging involvement of parents and community members in the life of the school.

The home is responsible for:

- Understanding and reinforcing school curricula.
- Encouraging students to complete homework and to place a high priority on education.
- Ensuring that children arrive at school on time, rested, fed, and ready to learn.
- Respecting the expertise and authority of teachers and staff.

Results

Students should possess a foundation of information, concepts, and learning skills:

- Analytical skills: identifying and formulating problems, researching information, and developing creative solutions.
- Reading, writing, and speaking effectively, with grounding in US. and world literature.
- Mathematics, including the ability to apply quantitative thinking and analysis in daily life.
- Physical, earth, and life sciences, including how these are manifested in everyday phenomena such as the environment, technology, and weather.
- History, geography, government, and the responsibilities of citizenship in local, national, and global contexts.
- Significant exposure to the arts, a foreign language, and the diversity of human culture.
- Effective use of computers for computation and processing information.
- Appreciation of physical and mental health, including avoidance of substance abuse and communicable diseases.

Students should display behaviors that allow them to be productive learners and relate effectively to others:

- Enthusiasm for learning.
- Confidence and self esteem.
- Self-discipline and good work habits, including the ability to listen and take turns.
- Personal integrity and honesty.
- Willingness to take responsibility where appropriate and to follow through once responsibility is assumed.
- Acceptance of, sensitivity to, and compassion for others.

Mutual respect, support, and participation among the community, families, and the school are vital to effectively achieving our mission. Open communication is encouraged, valued, and respected.

James Daigle
Plainfield
Church

Nancy Franklin
Monhegan
Island

Sandra Yeaton
Quilt Blocks

Amy Franklin
Western
Landscape

Mindy Taber
Castles

Toby Bartles
Cory Taber Field

Melanie Ditzel
View from
Penniman
Road

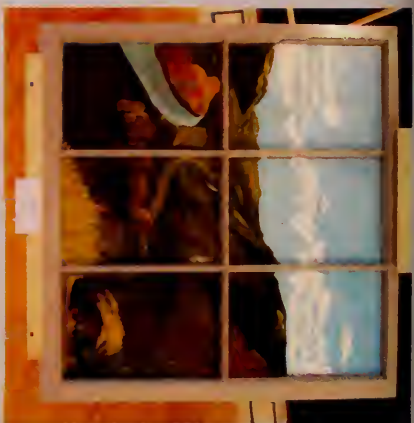
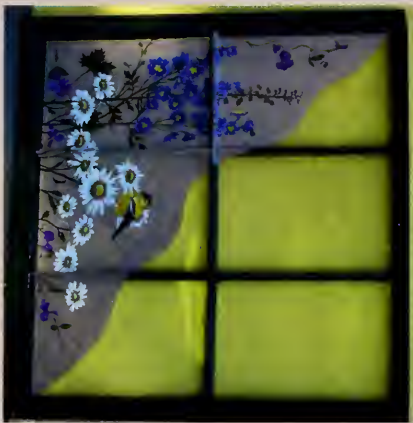
Sarah Gillens
Pub Window

Becky Taber
Stained glass

Lois Kenyon
Bird & flowers

Priscilla Eastman
Cat's waiting

Steve Kelly
Cornish-Windsor
Covered
Bridge



Plainfield Postal Patron

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